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Israel opposes jet sale

JERUSALEM —

Israel has opposed the sale by the United States of F-15 fighter jets to Saudi Arabia.

At the weekly cabinet meeting Sunday, the Labor government accused Washington of accelerating the arms race in the Middle East through its sale of 72 F-15s to Saudi Arabia.

The statement seems at odds with previous reports, which said U.S. President George Bush had clearance from Israel to sell the advanced jets to the Saudis.

Democratic presidential candidate Bill Clinton supported the sale, saying Saudi Arabia has the right to modernize its fighting forces.

Outrage over Golan

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Public opposition to Israeli concessions on the Golan Heights mounted this week as Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin reiterated readiness to give up parts of the strategic heights in exchange for peace with Syria.

Thousands of demonstrators at Ben-Gurion Airport chanted "Rabin is a traitor" and carried placards claiming Israeli sovereignty over the Golan to convey a message to Israeli negotiators departing Sunday for Washington to resume peace talks after a 10-day recess.

Itamar Rabinovich, head of Israel's negotiating team with Syria, was handed a letter by right-wing Knesset members but refused to comment on its contents beyond telling newsmen he was carrying out the instructions of the government.

The demonstration was part of wider public action planned by the Golan lobby, amid growing debate over the fate of the plateau overlooking northern Galilee.

Knesset member Rafael Eitan of the right-wing opposition Tsomet party told reporters on the Golan there would never be peace with the Arabs and that the most Israel could hope for was a non-aggression treaty.

He was touring the heights Sunday with other members of the Knesset who support continued Israeli control of the Golan as an expression of solidarity with the 13,000 settlers in the region.

The issue has divided the Labor camp's own kibbutz movement, triggered controversy over the intentions of the late Prime Minister Menahem Begin in respect to the area and prompted a halachic controversy over the measure of sanctity to be accorded the territory.

Within the Labor-affiliated settlement sector, the United Kibbutz Movement last week endorsed government policy on the Golan. Countering, members of kibbutzim on the heights circulated a petition over the weekend calling on the movement to take a stand opposing territorial compromise on the Golan.

Concern that the issue could divide the kibbutz movement was expressed by Moshe Peled, of Kibbutz Beit Hashita, a Tsomet Knesset member and a member of the kibbutz movement's central committee.

Perceptions of Begin's view of the Golan's future received sharply different expression as both sides sought support for their views in those of Likud's undisputed ideological leader.

A meeting was held recently in the Golan capital town of Katzrin to once again bring to the attention of the government the stategic importance of the area to Israel. Likud's Binyamin Netanyahu talks to young people during the meeting. [I.P.P.A. photo]

Begin's longtime personal secretary, Yehiel Kadishai, said the late prime minister had been opposed to any withdrawal from the Golan.

Kadishai was responding to a claim that Begin left the door open for negotiations with the Syrians by refraining from imposing Israeli sovereignty on the area in drawing up the Golan Law 13 years ago.

Police Minister Moshe Shahal of Labor said that by this action, Begin left a window open for territorial compromise.

But Begin associates and right-wing leaders denied this interpretation.

Former Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, in a telephone interview from Moscow, where he was on a visit, said the longtime Likud leader would never have given up any territory in the Golan.

Geula Cohen, former Knesset member for the right-wing Tehiya party, said Begin had told her party the Golan Law was intended to prevent Israel's withdrawal from the Golan "ever."

Moreover, the late premier intended to extend Israeli law to the West Bank as well in the absence of progress in talks with the Palestinians, five years after the signing of the Camp David accords, Cohen said.

However, the parliamentary record shows that Begin in 1981 told the Knesset the Golan Law did not mean the annexation of the Golan and that it would not prevent negotiations with the Syrians "once they are ready to negotiate."

At the time Begin was responding to Amnon Rubinstein of the center-left Shinui party, who is today minister of energy and infrastructure.

Rabbinical leaders are at odds as well over the Golan.

Rabbi Shlomo Goren, a former chief rabbi, said over the weekend that the Golan is not part of the biblical Land of Israel and there is therefore no obligation to keep it.

Moreover, Syria represents the one real threat to Israel, said Rabbi Goren. "Anyone who dreams he will make peace with the entire world and not return the Golan in return for peace with Syria is leading the people astray," he said.

But Rabbi Shaul Israeli, the head of Yeshivat Harav in Jerusalem, disagreed, saying there are several levels of sanctity in the Land of Israel. The Golan is not as sacred as other areas, he said, but it is still part of the country and should not be given up.

Moreover, yielding the Golan would have implications for other, more sacred areas of the land. Even Jordan is part of the settlement map of the people of Israel, the rabbi said.

Judging by political movement on the ground, the heated debate is premature.

Rabin met over the weekend with the heads of the Israeli negotiations and reportedly gave them no new instructions, certainly none that would mean any withdrawal from the Golan soon.

The prime minister reportedly wants a clear Syrian response on President Hafez Assad's concept of peace with Israel before Jerusalem discloses what it is prepared to give up.

An idea raised unofficially here of leasing the land from Syrians was rejected outright over the weekend by Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk al-Sharaa, who dismissed it as "ridiculous and silly."

The feeling in Jerusalem as negotiators prepared to resume talks in Washington was that clarification of questions from the other side should be followed by raising the level of talks to that of foreign ministers or, alternatively, that a Camp David-style meeting should be convened, with active American mediation.

Israel Cabinet approves budget

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Israel's Cabinet has approved a 1993 budget of 97.6 billion shekels ($41 billion) after restoring cuts to religious institutions under pressure from Interior Minister Arye Deri.

The budget was approved after 11 hours of debate, with only Absorption Minister Yair Tsaban of the Meretz bloc voting against it. Environmental Protection Minister Ora Namir and Economic Planning Minister Shimon Shetreet, both of the Labor Party, abstained.

Deri, who threatened to withdraw his fervently religious Shas party from the narrowly based coalition, was granted demands worth some $58 million.

A decision to back off some planned cuts to the religious sector and to the World Zionist Organization Settlement Department followed consultations between Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Finance Minister Avraham Shohat.

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Yeshiva facing permanent closure

By RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —
The financially-strapped Yeshiva Bnei Tzion of Bobov on Champlain Avenue finally opened last week — one week late — but there is only a two-week window for the yeshiva to raise funds or else face permanent closure.

"This is a real live emergency. There are a lot of scared parents out there," yeshiva board member Zale Newman told *The CJN*.

The school, which has 200 students in grades kindergarten to 8, only about 20 percent of whom are chassidic, was supposed to have opened Sept. 1.

But it didn't because the yeshiva is $250,000 in the hole and staff have not been paid full salaries since last March.

The school finally opened its doors last Tuesday, on the agreement that staff would be paid back wages by Rosh Hashanah, Newman said.

But he warned that even if the roughly 25 staff members receive their back pay by then, the school will still be in trouble.

He said the recession, coupled with lack of funding from the Board of Jewish Education and the cutting off of funds from Toronto's Reichmann family, means all five ultra-Orthodox schools around Metro are suffering and in danger of closing.

The yeshiva has embarked on an intensive private fundraising campaign. An emergency parlor meeting was held last Sunday and board members are literally knocking on doors.

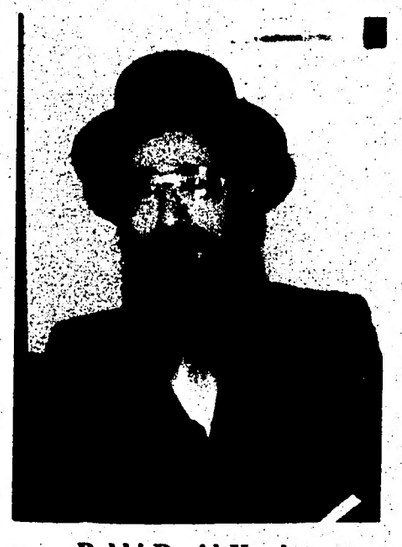
Tuition covers only 25 percent of the yeshiva's operating costs.

Apart from the Bobov yeshiva, Newman said the Yeshiva Yesodei HaTorah, Cheder Chabad in Thornhill, Bais Yaakov High School and Bais Yaakov Elementary School for girls are all in desperate need of funds.

Those schools don't get funding from the BJE because they don't meet criteria, he added. They are funded solely through tuitions and private donations.

"There are 2,000 children [in the five schools] in need of funding. Even if you spend $5,000 per pupil, which is less than what North York spends, you still need $10 million.

"The clock is ticking and this school may close. Even if we get through this year, there's still next year to worry about. That's when the real crunch may come."



Rabbi David Kessler

Newman said the five ultra-Orthodox schools need $3 million "right away" just to keep functioning at current levels. And that sum would be a "stopgap" measure.

He said the Bobov yeshiva has a "window of opportunity" of two weeks to raise emergency funds, while the other schools probably have until the end of this year.

If any of the schools close, students would have to attend another Orthodox school, further burdening the system, Newman noted.

A report by an emergency task force, set up by the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto's Endowment Fund, is expected this month to indicate that the community's most dire funding needs exist at the Orthodox schools once heavily subsidized by the Reichmanns.

Newman said the Bobov yeshiva is looking for "a lot of small donations from the entire community. The question is, do we want a Jewish education for our children?"

Rabbi David Kessler, the yeshiva's principal, said the school's woes are not due solely to the Reichmanns' retreat.

"We have had quite a few big donors who can't give anymore. We've always had difficulties in fundraising but this is heartbreaking."

He said the Bobov yeshiva's enrolment has doubled over the last three years and only about 15 percent of students pay full tuition. "We never turn anyone away," he added.

Anyone willing to help is asked to call Rabbi Kessler at (416) 633-6332.

Israel election changes little with U.S.: Hoenline

By BEN ROSE

TORONTO —
The election of a new government in Israel has not changed the "substance" of relations between the United States and Israel and a major test lies ahead.

This is the message brought to Toronto recently by a leading Jewish spokesman to the kick-off meeting of the major gifts division of the United Jewish Appeal at the home of Honey and Barry Sherman.

"There is a change in the rhetoric between the United States and Israel but it is not a change of substance," said Malcolm Hoenline, executive director of the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations. "There is a perception that relations are back on track but this will soon be put to the test. Most issues are still on hold.

"The first test will be the U.S. loan guarantees. Unfortunately, the legislation will be vague and the president will have total discretion and can stop them at any time."

Malcom Hoenlein

Other negative features of the bill which the Bush administration proposes, Hoenline said, is that it does not deal with the Jerusalem situation. "The loan guarantees are very important but they are not a panacea."

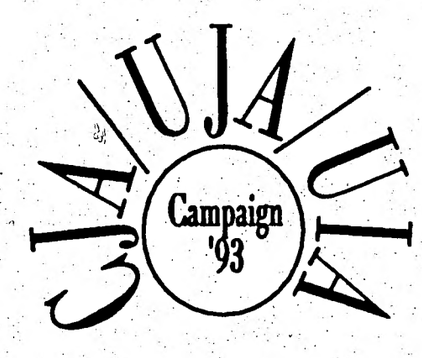
There is an announcement coming that the United States will sell F15s to Saudi Arabia, Hoenline said, and this will further erode the "qualitative edge" that Israel has held up to now on arms.

Despite the realistic outline of problems facing Israel in the United States the mood of the Toronto meeting was completely upbeat culminating with the announcement that a canvass of cards had already raised $10 million, an increase of more than 20 percent over last year, the economic situation notwithstanding.

Individual gifts announced at the meeting mostly met the campaign's target of increasing donations by one-third of the basic amount pledged to the Exodus drive.

Campaign co-chairmen Bernard Ghert and Neil Nisker said Toronto is digging deep into its pockets to meet the needs of Israel and the local community.

Greetings were brought by Dror Zeigerman, the new Israeli consul general in Toronto.



In the peace talks, Hoenline said the most important developments concern the Palestinians, and he said the future of the talks will decide whether Israel can live safely beside a Palestine state or a confederation of states.

The Jewish leader said a "close election" in the United States means that Jewish votes are crucial in a few key states. "The Democrats are hoping that President Bush will push the loan guarantees through because they don't want to have to face the issue."

A "growing isolationism" in the United States is *the* fundamental change in the political picture there, he said, illustrated by the fact that Governor Clinton's policy platform does not contain any foreign aid for Israel.

"The intolerance we are seeing in Europe is not impossible in the U.S. Anti-Semitism is again acceptable as part of the political parlance in the United States."

Underlining the local needs to be met by the United Jewish Appeal campaign, Terry Kay of the Jewish Family and Child Sevice said 20,000 Jews in Toronto are living below the poverty line. The supplementary assistance program to help such people is a vital one and relies on the UJA campaign, she said.

In the last 18 months, a "new phenomenon" has appeared with people "who never in a million years were prepared to live a life of poverty," coming in for aid.

She told of a family that was living in one room in the man's brother's house because his business had gone bankrupt and up to that point, was too proud to ask for help. Fortunately, she said, the family has been accepted for an apartment in the Avenal housing project on Wilson Avenue.

That family will remain on assistance, with most of the aid coming from the government, but there will be a "topping" from the JFCS.

"That man will be retrained and no other community can claim this kind of assistance," she said.

The Toronto Jewish community is the only one in the city that does not take any children away from their mothers, but instead provides help so that the children can stay in their own homes, Kay said.

Though budgets of local agencies have been frozen and Jewish education bodies are facing a real crisis, the supplementary assistance program financed by the UJA has not been frozen, said co-chairman Ghert.

The Jewish day school situation is so serious and so many requesta are coming in from parents for supplementary aid, that in future such education may be restricted to those parents who can afford the full cost, Ghert said.

Recession forces Ottawa UJA to search for new donors

By MIRIAM SOBEL

OTTAWA —
The days when the lion's share of UJA money came from a minority of generous donors are over, says Lawrence Soloway, general chairman for Ottawa's UJA 1993 campaign.

The recession has not spared big donors, he says. Some have had a bad business year; others have lost their businesses altogether. The goal of this year's campaign will be to broaden the base of donors.

"We've just accepted that you can't keep going back to the same top donors and ask them for more," says Soloway. "The only way you can make up their losses is to reach more people."

His aim is to reach people who have never given to the UJA before, and to encourage people who can, to give more than they gave in the past.

Soloway knows meeting the $4 million target will be a challenge. It is $400,000 higher than last year's budget. And there is nothing unique, like an Operation Exodus, to stir donors.

Nonetheless, he says, money is urgently needed both to settle immigrants in Israel, and to support Jewish programs in Ottawa.

"Although people may feel economically pinched, the need is great and we have to get people to realize that need."

The economic structure is changing forever, he says, and fundraisers have to change their strategies with it. The key to a successful campaign, says Soloway, is to train the canvassers. He believes a motivated canvasser who has learned what to say to potential donors will get results. So all UJA volunteers in Ottawa have been invited to training sessions with guest instructors. Training is mandatory for all division chairmen.

Soloway, an Ottawa business lawyer with the firm Soloway, Wright, has been involved with the UJA campaign for the past five years. He took over the chair after a year as deputy chairman.

Although he says the job takes "more time than anyone can ever tell you," he feels a duty to be involved.

"We're an extremely fortunate generation," he says. "At some point in your life you have to give something back."

Shaareh Haim school saved

RICHMOND HILL —
The afternoon and Sunday school at the former Shaareh Haim Congregation has been saved.

The school will affiliate with Beth Sholom Synagogue's congregational school, effectively making the former Shaareh Haim school a northern branch of Beth Sholom's classes.

According to Herb Spindel, principal of the school at Shaareh Haim, classes are scheduled to begin Sept. 16, three days later than originally planned.

The affiliation with Beth Sholom is the result of last-minute negotiations aimed at keeping the Shaareh Haim classes open after a legal glitch was discovered [CJN, Sept. 10].

When Shaareh Haim Congregation folded after it ran out of operating funds in June, it lost its status as a tax-exempt organization. No one, it seemed, realized that since the school operated on the same tax number, it too lost its charitable status.

The congregational school's inability to issue tax receipts for tuition was not discovered until about two weeks before classes were slated to start, prompting a flurry of eleventh-hour talks with the Ontario region of United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism and with Beth Sholom Synagogue.

Bruce Casselman, co-chairman of Beth Sholom's board of education, said the synagogue's board of governors last week overwhelmingly endorsed the plan to save the Shaareh Haim classes.

There are roughly 235 students enrolled at the former Shaareh Haim school and about 55 at Beth Sholom's school. Casselman said tuitions will not rise at either school as a result of the merger.

Barb Sax, who has three of her four children enrolled at Shaareh Haim, said the agreement means the school will be able to use the building until the end of this school year, but it will be a new legal entity, with a new name.

United Synagogue Day School (USDS), has an agreement with the Royal Bank to also use space in the building until next June.

Spindel praised the role played by United Synagogue in the talks, especially by its Ontario region director, Niki Parker.

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B'nai Brith, ethnic groups press for new Zundel charges

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

B'nai Brith Canada was joined by a number of ethnic and human rights groups last week in a show of solidarity in the wake of the Supreme Court's decision throwing out Canada's "false news" law that had been used to convict Holocaust-denier Ernst Zundel.

The groups joined B'nai Brith (BB) in urging that Ontario attorney general Howard Hampton lay hatemongering charges against Zundel, a pro-Nazi publisher who has called the Holocaust a hoax designed to enrich world Jewry at the expense of Germany.

Consent of the attorney general is needed before a prosecution can proceed.

Hate propaganda is not just a Jewish or a free speech issue, said Karen Mock, national director of BB's League for Human Rights. It is an issue that affects all Canadians. Government officials must make clear through new charges that racism will not be tolerated, she said.

Marvin Kurz, Ontario chairman of the League, said racists don't limit their concerns to Jews. They include blacks and immigrants among their target groups, he said.

Joining Mock and Kurz for a news conference in the Toronto offices of B'nai Brith were Audi Dharmalingham, president of the Urban Alliance on Race Relations (UARR), Hector Gray, a member of the board of the Jamaican Canadian Association and Janice Dembo, co-ordinator of the Toronto Mayor's Committee on Community and Race Relations.

Dharmalingham called on Ontario attorney general Howard Hampton to confront and stop hatemongering in the province. He said UARR had launched a network in August to coordinate responses to racist incidents. Part of the network's mandate will be to accumulate data about racist incidents and it will help anti-racist organizations plan and carry out joint activities, he said.

He said racist activities don't affect only the target groups. "[They] affect all of us," he said, adding that it should not fall just to Jewish groups to confront racists in Canada.

Gray said the 30-year-old Canadian Jamaican Association applauded B'nai Brith's call for hatemongering charges against Zundel.

Karen Mock

Dembo said the mayor's committee passed a resolution last week urging police to investigate and prosecute Zundel under the Criminal Code's anti-hate law. She said the committee also called for the allocation of all necessary resources towards those goals.

"If Zundel is not prosecuted, it will be open season for bigots of the worst sort," she said.

Outlining the League's response to the court decision, which erased a conviction and nine-month jail sentence against Zundel, Mock said B'nai Brith had launched a campaign to mobilize grass roots support for new charges against the pro-Nazi publisher.

"We are organizing a phone-in campaign to get the attorney general to act without delay," Kurz said.

Kurz denied suggestions that B'nai Brith's call for new charges amounted to political interference in the judicial system. The judiciary remains independent, he said, but citizens are entitled to bring alleged criminal activity to the attention of law enforcement officials. "All we want is for the attorney general to take it seriously," he said.

Canadian Jewish Congress has laid a complaint of hate promotion against Zundel arising out of statements he made in the wake of the court decision.

Meanwhile, in an editorial comment, *The Montreal Gazette* said "good riddance" to the false news law, though it noted that the High Court also denounced Zundel's "perverted view of history.

"Zundel and Keegstra preach much the same vicious tripe," the *Gazette* wrote. "Zundel got off because he was charged under the wrong law. That's the message from the Supreme Court. Next time, pick the right charge."

An editorial in the French-language newspaper, *La Presse*, applauds the Supreme Court decision for corresponding to a common sense awareness that free expression is a component of a free society.

The editorial, which called Zundel's arguments completely false, suggested that those calling for hate propaganda charges against him should consider whether they want to give a gift of free publicity to Zundel.

Gunman's victim well known to Canadians

JERUSALEM —

One of the four woman killed by a deranged gunman in a Jerusalem mental health clinic has been identified as Jean Mankowitz, who along with her husband Ze'ev, is well known to the Canadian Jewish community.

Mankowitz was killed last week when gunman Eitan Mor, 25, barged into the second-floor office of the mental health clinic at Yanus Korczak Street in the Kiryat Hayovel neighborhood. According to the initial police investigation, he opened fire without warning.

In addition to the four deaths, two other women were lightly wounded.

Mankowitz, 45, was a social worker who had recently received an additional degree in psychotherapy, said Allan Reitzes, acting director of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto.

She was well known to Canadians because she frequently accompanied her husband Ze'ev, a Holocaust scholar and director of a number of leadership training programs, on his many visits here, Reitzes said.

The Mankowitzes were natives of South Africa who made aliyah about 30 years ago. They had many friends in Canada and hosted numerous visitors at their home in Jerusalem, he said.

"At all levels of our community, people who knew Ze'ev and Jean feel this loss," Reitzes said.

Jean is survived by two children, Yonit and Noam.

Police report that Mor had been discharged from the Israeli army for psychological reasons after 11 months of service. Later psychological reports described him as "a potential danger to himself and others."

Police said they would investigate how he was issued a gun permit and employed by a security service.

After fleeing the building, Mor was cornered by police and was shot by police snipers when he began firing in the air after a one-hour standoff.

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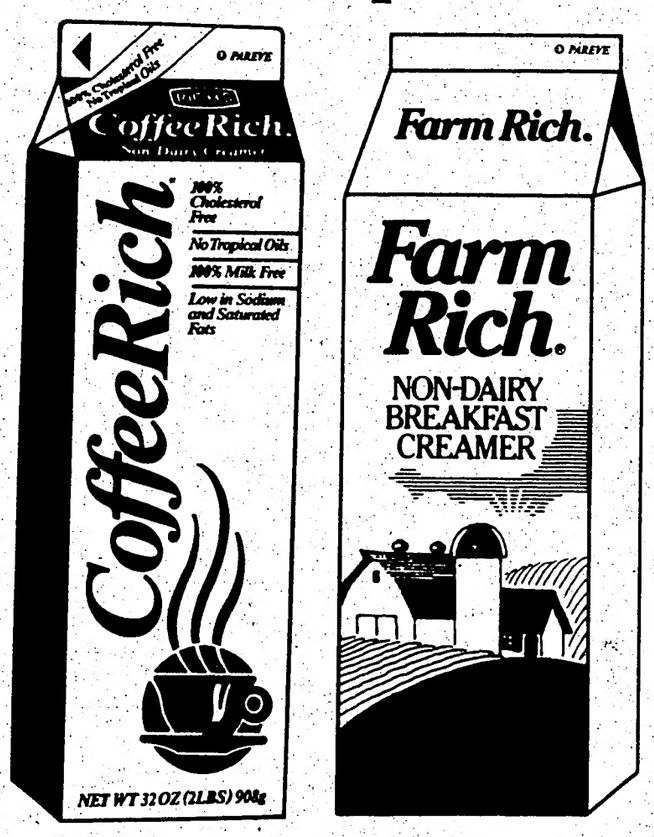

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Network Canada takes on first national women's officer

By FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

For the first time in its 15-year-history, Network Canada has a national women's officer, 21-year-old Shawna Kaufman, a recent York University graduate in psychology.

Network, the independent, activist Jewish student campus group based in Toronto, is one of about a dozen affiliates of the World Union of Jewish Students (WUJS) which will focus greater attention on women's issues this year.

In preparation for her new (volunteer) position, Kaufman joined 19 other female university students from all over the world (Montevideo to Moscow) at the Kol Ishah (Voice of Woman) Summer Seminar for the Advancement of Jewish Women's Leadership, a pilot program run by WUJS in Israel for three and a half weeks in July.

One of the projects resulting from the leadership program is an international information campaign on the problems faced by agunot (women whose husbands have refused to give them a get, or Jewish divorce), Kaufman told *The CJN* in a recent interview. Petitions, vigils, and educational programming are planned at campuses around the world. Coincidentally, the campaign is being planned in conjunction with the Israel Women's Network's Year of the Agunah, an awareness campaign in Israel.

One of the most difficult experiences of the Kol Ishah program, says Kaufman, was visiting a rabbinical court and seeing for herself the emphasis on reconciliation and shalom bayit (peace in the home), even in cases of severely abused wives.

Shawna Kaufman

A more enjoyable side of the Kol Ishah program was the opportunity to meet positive women role models in all professions, said Kaufman. A three-day mentorship program matched the students with Israeli professional women whom they "shadowed" for three days, staying in their homes and working alongside them. Kaufman, who has danced professionally, spent her time with Ellida Geyra, an Israeli choreographer.

Another valuable aspect of Kol Isha was learning "tachlis kinds of things" such as budgeting and how to develop programs. "Now I have the tools to put my ideas into practice," said Kaufman.

The students at Kol Ishah left with three main issues to be addressed: agunot, Jewish women and sexuality (topics such as body image, birth control and abortion), and Jewish identity.

Kaufman would like to implement a Rosh Chodesh group for female Jewish university students as one way of addressing the Jewish identity issue. Rosh Chodesh is considered a women's holiday, explained Kaufman, given to women by God in appreciation for not participating in building the Golden Calf.

Kaufman envisions a monthly meeting in a relaxed atmosphere to discuss the week's parsha, read poetry or listen to a speaker within a Jewish female context.

"There's a lot available for Jewish women in Canadian communities," said Kaufman, "but not for students." Kaufman intends to bridge the gap between Network programs on women's issues and more established women's groups by involving the established groups in programming and using them as a resource. "Regardless of our generation, we need to work together in the struggle for women's equality," she says.

Kaufman also recognizes the need for men's programming. "I don't want to do everything exclusively for women. Men need to be educated about women's issues too," she said.

An egalitarian Shabbat workshop is planned for Network's upcoming national convention in Montreal, to be held in December, as her first "mixed" program.

Anyone who is interested in helping Kaufman or who would like to become involved in Jewish womens' issues may contact her at the Network office in Toronto, 416-783-1165.

Immigration bill comes under fire

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Bill C-86, the federal government's refugee and immigration bill, has come under fire by Jewish groups for potentially opening the door to war crimes suspects and for making it too difficult for refugees to gain admittance to Canada.

A brief submitted recently to the Senate's standing committee on social affairs, science and technology by B'nai Brith Canada criticized a provision that would allow ministerial discretion to permit into Canada individuals who would not otherwise be admitted but who can satisfy the minister that their admission would not be detrimental to the national interest.

That is what happened after World War II when policy considerations prompted Western nations to permit entry to war crimes suspects, B'nai Brith noted.

"The government should use Bill C-86 to make inadmissible any individuals where there are reasonable grounds to suspect their involvement in such crimes," the brief stated.

B'nai Brith also criticized a provision that would accord permanent resident status to individuals whose citizenship has been revoked, including those who lied about their involvement in wartime atrocities. "This is untenable," the brief stated.

"A further problem exists," B'nai Brith continued. "Such an individual would get two full sets of appeals under the proposed legislation, considerably extending the time the suspect criminal may remain in Canada. . . The government should take the opportunity of this Bill to make certain that those whose citizenship is revoked have no status in Canada and are immediately removable."

B'nai Brith also criticized proposals that would see a transfer of powers from the legislative branch to the cabinet and minister, allowing the minister of employment and immigration to set policy by regulation.

B'nai Brith's brief, presented by B'nai Brith spokesmen David Matas, Michael Schelew, Mendel Green, Paul Marcus and Ian Kagedan, also criticized the concept of sending refugee claimants to "safe third countries."

Such a concept is unworkable and requires judicial discretion, something for which immigration officials are unqualified, the brief stated.

A brief submitted jointly by Canadian Jewish Congress and Jewish Immigrant Aid Services said that provisions which restrict admission to Canada to those connected to past or potential subversion should be applied to purveyors of racist hate.

The joint brief commended the bill for closing Canada's doors to those who may engange in terrorism.

Rabbi Gunther Plaut, who authored a 1985 report on the refugee determination process, said "the [current immigration] system has broken down and I fault the government. . . It has yielded to those forces in Canadian life that like to see all immigration and refugee selection restricted."

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During the upcoming High Holiday period *The CJN* offices will be closed. As a result, early deadlines will apply for the latter part of September through the month of October.

For the Sept. 24 issue, advertising deadline is Wednesday, Sept. 16 at noon. Editorial deadline remains unchanged.

For the Oct. 1 issue, editorial deadline is Tuesday, Sept. 22. Classified and advertising deadline is also Sept. 22 at noon. Display advertising deadline is Wednesday, Sept. 23 at noon.

For the Oct. 15 issue, editorial deadline is Monday, Oct. 5. For classified and organizations, deadline is Oct. 5 at 4 p.m. Display advertising deadline is Tuesday, Oct. 6 at 10 a.m.

For the Oct. 22 issue, editorial deadline is Tuesday, Oct. 13. For classified and organizations, deadline is Oct. 13 at noon. Display advertising deadline is Wednesday, Oct. 14 at noon.

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Paul Marcus, left, and Ian Kagedan, right, met with German Ambassador Richard Ellermann to discuss the wave of racist violence in Germany.

CJC shocked by bombing of Berlin Holocaust Memorial

MONTREAL –

Canadian Jewish Congress president Prof. Irving Abella has written to German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, expressing shock over the recent bombing of the Berlin Holocaust Memorial which stood on the site where many thousands of Jews were assembled prior to going to their deaths in Auschwitz.

"This outrage," said Abella, "combined with the desecration of the oldest Jewish cemetery in Munich, is of profound sorrow to our community.

"We believe that Germany's dark past must animate its opposition to neo-Nazism. An alarming situation is arising where immigrant workers and asylum seekers live under the shadow of recrudescent Nazism. We remember the tragic history of the Weimar Republic which did not act decisively to stop Nazism. This must not happen again."

CJC is urging the German government to enact legislation enabling it to act against Nazism and bring the perpetrators of these terrible acts to justice.

Institute for International Affairs of B'nai Brith Canada national director Paul Marcus and B'nai Brith government relations director Ian Kagedan met recently with German Ambassador Richard Ellermann to express concern over racist, anti-foreigner violence in Germany. Institute representatives characterized the meeting as "open, frank and positive."

The meeting followed the forwarding to German Chancellor Helmut Kohl of a letter on the subject by B'nai Brith national president Gabriel Nachman and executive vice president Frank Dimant.

"We are writing to express our extreme dismay over reports of waves of right-wing violence directed at foreigners and especially refugees who have sought safe haven in Germany. The recent explosion of a bomb at a Berlin memorial to Jewish victims of Nazi terror adds to the horror of an intolerable situation.

"The legacy of the Nazi era is called to mind as the world community witnesses this exremist-led violence which finds support in the anti-foreigner sentiments of some among Germany's ordinary citizens.

"We urge that you and your government take decisive and far-reaching measures to halt the violence and to bring those involved in incitement or violent actions to justice. We urge that there be a severe crackdown on Nazi-inspired groups which are involved in the promotion of hatred of foreigners and in the promotion of violent actions against non-Germans.

"We urge as well that a major educational effort be undertaken to further citizens' understanding of the benefits of diversity and of the threat of Nazi-inspired thinking.

"We know that Germany of today eschews its Nazi past. We urge action to make this clear to those involved in Nazi groups and especially to those involved in the recent violence."

Vancouver CJA launches campaign hoping to reach the $5 M mark

By MAURICE LUCOW

VANCOUVER –

The "fastest growing Jewish community in Canada," Vancouver, is launching its Federation Combined Jewish Appeal campaign with the expectation that it will reach its $5 million overall goal — a goal which eluded the campaigners last year.

"We have many new people here," said Phyllis Moscovich, chairman of the Women's Division, "and our job will be to make certain they contribute."

Dr. Gary Romalis, chairman of the overall campaign, concedes that reaching the goal will not be an easy task. And while he admits the goal may sound ambitious in these tough economic times, "I can't remember there ever being a right time or a good year for fundraising," he said.

Both Romalis and Moscovich agree that extensive education as to how the Federation-CJA operates is required to get the maximum results. And, added Romalis, the problem facing canvassers is to convince contributors to give appropriately to reflect their means. "I'm satisfied that there's enough money in our community to fund the programs we support."

Of the amount raised in the campaign, about 40 percent goes to the 20 local beneficiaries, 10 percent goes for national causes and 50 percent is for Israel. Currently, funding of the local agencies is based on last year's campaign in which $4.1 million was raised — $900,000 short of the goal. Romalis hopes enough will be raised this year so that local, national and Israel needs will be adequately funded.

Romalis, the 1990 recipient of the Federation's Outstanding Service Award, has been involved with CJA for the past 15 years, most recently as vice-chair of the professional division. A visit to Auschwitz in 1991 firmed up his commitment to Federation and the CJA. "It reinforced my belief how important Israel is to the survival of the Jewish people. If there had been an Israel earlier, there wouldn't have been an Auschwitz," he said.

The campaign chairman has a 48-member cabinet plus the Women's Division to work with him during the three-month campaign, which opened Sept. 15. The opener was a Major Gifts dinner at the Hyatt Regency Hotel with Israeli military analyst Ra'anan Gissin as speaker.

The community-wide campaign opens at a mass rally at Temple Sholom on Sept. 22 at which the speaker will be Malcolm Hoenlein, executive director of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, a co-ordinating body on international Jewish concerns for almost 50 national U.S. Jewish organizations.

The Super Sunday campaign has been scheduled for Oct. 25.

Women's Division chairman, Phyllis Moscovich, has a 46-member campaign cabinet. Her division's goal is $1 million, and Moscovich, a past recipient of the Federation Young Leadership Award, is confident the division will hit its goal. "Our campaigners are a diverse group of women with varied experience in the community. They're very enthusiastic and are anxious to get going." The women's division canvassers had a training session on Sept. 14 under the leadership of a Toronto canvassing specialist.

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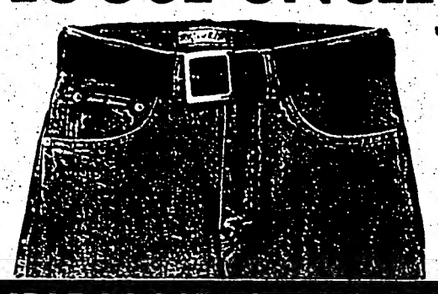

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Israel MS Society to benefit from Christian pilgrimage walk

By FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

This week marks the beginning of a solo walk to raise funds and public awareness on behalf of Multiple Sclerosis (MS) societies in over half a dozen countries, including Israel. The walk, which follows an ancient Christian pilgrimage route, begins in England and will culminate in Israel in December.

The woman undertaking the walk is a quiet-spoken historian who has lived in London, England since 1971. Toronto-born Laurie Dennett, whose late father Jack Dennett was well known to listeners of Toronto's CFRB radio station, has already completed two such walks, the latter of which raised over $200,000 for the Canadian Multiple Sclerosis Society alone. Dennett's mother, Norma, is severely disabled by MS.

"I'm fortunate to have good health and the capability to walk all day and then sit down and write about it," Dennett told *The CJN* in a recent interview at the Toronto office of the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada.

Dennett will be chronicling her walk in a weekly column for the Toronto's *Sunday Sun*, and will be phoning in reports twice-weekly to Wally Crouter at radio station CFRB.

She is also in close contact with local MS societies along the way, giving speeches, attending receptions, and being interviewed.

As exhausting as that sounds, Dennett appears to thrive on it. "The MS people inspire me a lot," she said. "There's a tremendous emotional component. I always come away wishing I could do more."

The benefits of a daily 18 to 20-mile walk are also noted. "There's a rhythm you fall into quite easily," Dennett said. "Physically you feel better and better. When you're walking, the look of the scenery and the feel of the road under your feet become the only reality there is."

Dennett does not accept money from donors herself, but directs any donors to their local MS society, in part to raise awareness of the organizations.

Laurie Dennett

Multiple sclerosis is a disease of the central nervous system commonly affecting young adults. It attacks nerve-insulating myelin, causing symptoms such as extreme weakness, vision disturbances, or loss of balance. Symptoms may come and go over time.

The disease affects an estimated two million people worldwide, among them over 50,000 Canadians.

In Israel, there are about 2,000 people with MS, most of whom are Jews. The number of patients in Israel has increased recently, due to the influx of olim from Russia, according to the Israel MS Society. Russia, like Canada, is a high risk area for MS.

Research on MS is being conducted at a number of Israeli institutions. A promising treatment developed at the Weizmann Institute of Science (a drug known as COP-1) is now being used in clinical trials for cases of the exacerbating-remitting form of MS in Israel and the United States.

"MS is an international illness," said Dennett. "The most important thing is to find the cause and the cure. There are people working in different countries on congruent bits of the puzzle."

Dennett's walk coincides with the beginning of International Multiple Sclerosis Year and the 25th anniversary of the founding of the International Federation of Multiple Sclerosis Societies.

Her walk from England will take her through France, Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Italy and Greece, where she hopes to help start a Greek MS society. She will take a ferry from Athens to Haifa, arriving on December 17 for a one-week stay, completing her walk in Jerusalem on December 24.

"I feel a great sense of responsibility," Dennett told *The CJN*.

Anyone inspired by Dennett's efforts may call the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada toll-free from anywhere in Canada at 1-800-268-7582 to make a donation.

KKK charges stayed

By MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

Jewish community spokesmen, law enforcement officials and representatives of human rights groups are united in their disappointment and dismay that charges have been stayed against three self-admitted members of a local Ku Klux Klan group. The trial of Bill Harcus, Thermon Skryba and Joseph Lockhart came to an unexpectedly early end on Sept. 8 after an undercover police officer giving testimony in the case admitted some of her notes of conversations with Harcus were based on a wiretap, making them inadmissable in court.

The three men were charged in December under Section 319 of the Criminal Code with inciting hatred against Blacks and other minorities following a lengthy undercover police investigation. They were also charged with advocating genocide and mischief and Skryba was also facing two firearms charges. The case went to trial in the last week of June during which time Doug Christie, the lawyer for the accused, tried several times to have a mistrial declared. The case was adjourned for the summer.

The trial was resumed on August 31 in Provincial Court. The Crown's chief witnesses were Sergent Doug Zaporzan and Constable Shirley Hooker of the Winnipeg Police Department who had infiltrated the Klan cell. Zaporzan had begun his testimony in June. Hooker took the stand after the trial resumed. During his questioning of the witness, Christie charged she had based some of her notes on taped conversations rather than memory.

After the Crown ordered an internal investigation, Hooker admitted Christie's charges were accurate. With the credibility of a key witness in question, the Crown felt it had no alternative to staying all charges against Haarcus, Skryba and Lockhart because they resulted from the same investigation.

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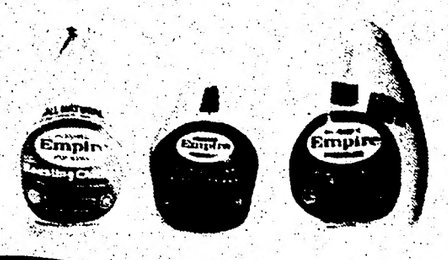

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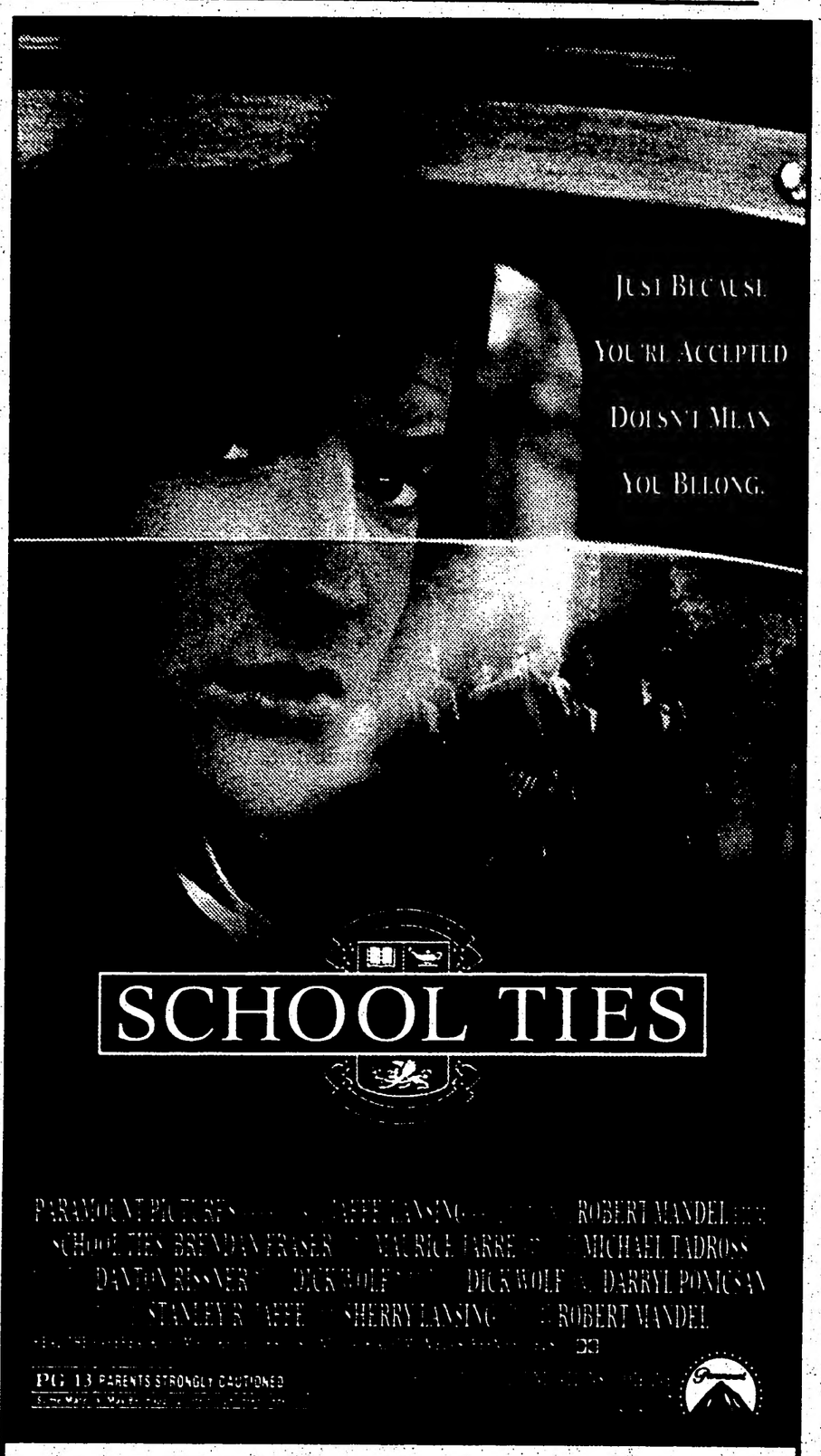

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Bronfman gets CJC post

MONTREAL —

Canadian Jewish Congress president Irving Abella has announced that Charles R. Bronfman will chair the reconstituted CJC board of governors.

Bronfman, the co-chairman of the Seagram Company Ltd. and chairman of Claridge Israel, has a long history of community involvement. He chairs the CRB Foundation and is honorary chairman of Canada-Israel Securities Limited (State of Israel Bonds).

His father, the late Samuel Bronfman, was president of CJC from 1939 to 1962 while his brother Edgar is president of the World Jewish Congress.

Bronfman is a companion of the Order of Canada, a member of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada and he has been awarded honorary doctorates from Hebrew University, Brandeis University, McGill University and Concordia University.

Abella says that he envisions the board of governors will serve as a consultative body to the national executive and the national council on CJC policy and on any major changes to the constitution of Congress. It will be composed of past presidents of the organization.

"I am very pleased to join Canadian Jewish Congress in this capacity," stated Bronfman.

Torontonian helps unite seniors, children in Israel

By FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

About 11 years ago, Selma Edelstone saw a segment on television's *60 Minutes* about a unique project called Close Harmony that brought together schoolchildren and seniors in an intergenerational choir in Brooklyn, New York.

The children and seniors rehearsed separately, but formed close bonds by writing regularly to individual penpals. They met a few months into the program, and the year culminated in a joint concert. "This is incredible," Edelstone recalls thinking as she watched the Academy Award-winning documentary. "The tears were rolling down my face."

Over the next few years, the Close Harmony concept kept coming back to her, Edelstone told *The CJN* during a recent interview in her Toronto home.

After 10 years in the public relations business, Edelstone decided to devote her time to starting her own project based on Close Harmony, to satisfy her need for "something more soul-gratifying." The project, which she called Interlink, began in 1987 at Toronto's Joseph E. and Minnie Wagman Centre and a nearby public school.

"It's such a rich and rewarding program," said Edelstone. The Canadian Mental Health Association recognized its benefits and adopted it as an official program within a year of its inception.

Since that time Interlink has grown to some three dozen programs in Ontario, and has also spread to Newfoundland, New Brunswick and Saskatchewan.

Selma Edelstone

Most recently, Edelstone visited Israel to help Israelis get their own project off the ground. "Wouldn't that be a wonderful vehicle with which to integrate some of the new immigrants?" Edelstone recalls thinking.

Sharsheret, which means "chain" in Hebrew, begins this month in Ness Tziona, Jerusalem and Haifa, which has three separate groups.

"Haifa is quite unique," said Edelstone. "Jews and Arabs live very harmoniously. When we have our final performance in the spring, I am hoping to get Jews and Arabs together on the same stage," she said, which would fulfil a dream she's had for some time. (The project does not include Arabs and Jews in the same group.)

Within the Interlink program in Canada, cross-cultural benefits have been as important as intergenerational ones in some cases. In a heartwarming video about Interlink, an 8-year-old black girl whose grandmother lives in Jamaica writes to her penpal Rose, a Jewish senior who was widowed two years before joining Interlink, "I think you are the best penpal in the world." She sees Rose as "almost like a grandmother to me."

"They pour their hearts out in the letters," says Edelstone. She has prepared an extensive Interlink manual which includes a suggested list of topics for letters and a list of almost 200 appropriate songs for the choirs.

The songs range from the vintage *Alexander's Ragtime Band* to *Under the Sea* from the recent movie *The Little Mermaid*. "My only edict is that they not include religious songs, said Edelstone.

The seniors involved in Interlink feel less isolated, said Edelstone, and gain "a wonderful sense of self-esteem." The children, in turn, learn that older people are useful and functional in society.

In some cases, said Edelstone, participants have maintained contact with their penpals after the final performance. "It's an enrichment to their lives which they'll never forget."

Edelstone is seeking funding for Sharsheret in Israel. Donations may be sent to her attention at the Canadian Mental Health Association. Cheques should he made out to CMHA-Israel Fund. 56 Wellesley St. W., Ste. 410, Toronto, Ontario M5X 2S3.

CJC officials meet Bosnian

MONTREAL —

Irfan Ayanovic, vice-president of the Bosnia-Herzegovina Parliament met last week with a Canadian Jewish Congress delegation.

Accompanied by representatives of the Montreal and Toronto Bosnian and Muslim communities, Ayanovic discussed the situation in his homeland, particularly Sarajevo. He spoke about the good relations between the Muslim and Jewish communities in Bosnia and expressed appreciation for the assistance given by Israel.

He underscored the existence of concentration camps and the murder of civilians by Serbian sources, criticizing United Nations inaction in the face of these atrocities.

CJC national executive director and general counsel Jack Silverstone and Quebec region executive director Michael Crelinson indicated to the Bosnian representative that, while there was no parallel between the situation occurring today in the former Yugoslavia and the Nazi Holocaust, this does not mean CJC is any less concerned, particularly with regard to the existence of detention camps and the practice of "ethnic cleansing." Silverstone indicated that CJC had raised the matter with the Yugoslavian chargé d'affaires in Ottawa in an Aug. 22 meeting.

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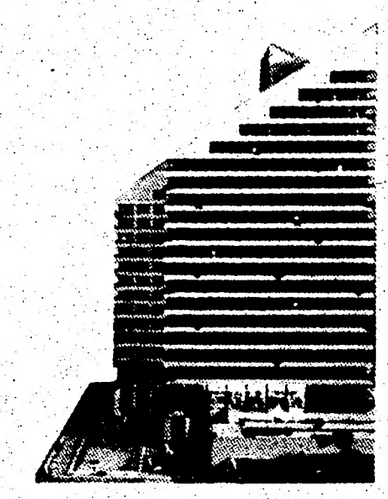

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New tourism leaders named

JERUSALEM —

Israel's 13th Knesset has approved the appointment of Uzi Baram as the new Minister of Tourism, and Eli Gonen as the new director general.

Baram was first elected to the Knesset in 1977, serving on the interior and environment, house, and immigration and absorption committees. As well, he worked in foreign affairs and defence in addition to his post as secretary general of the Israel Labor Party. A native Jerusalemite, Baram was in the Israel Defence Forces from 1955-58. In 1964 he earned a Bachelor's Degree from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Baram, who is deeply committed to continuing the development of a sound tourism infrastructure, will invest even more in the marketing of Israel as a tourism destination. He intends to open world markets such as Korea, South American, India and China, as well as strengthening the ties with Canada and the United States. An increased presence in Europe is also expected.

Uzi Baram

One of Baram's first duties will be to expand accommodations, especially in Jerusalem where demand is so high. At the Dead Sea and Eilat, hotel rooms will double, and building is planned for the Galilee and around the Sea of Galilee.

Director General Eli Gonen is also a graduate of Hebrew University and holds a B.A. in economics as well as an M.A. in business management. After spending a year at Berkeley in California, Gonen held various posts at Hebrew University from 1974 to 1991, including secretary to the dean, assistant to the director general, and deputy to the administrative director.

Most recently he was co-director general of the university. Gonen has also held positions in a number of commercial corporations and is active in several civic organizations.

Air China heading to Israel in spring

BEIJING (JTA) —

Air China plans to inaugurate regularly scheduled direct flights to Israel next spring, to reciprocate for the service which El Al began Sept. 3 to Beijing.

Lian Fang Cai, regional sales manager for Europe of the Chinese national airline, spoke of the plan with the *Jewish Telegraphic Agency*, which came along on El Al's inaugural flight to the Chinese capital.

The Israeli airline's newest service opened up a direct air route between Israel and the Far East, replacing the circuitous journeys Israelis have taken in the past through other countries.

The first group of Israelis to fly directly here from Israel was greeted in what was described as an unusually cordial welcome as it began a 10-day tour.

Israeli journalists, travel agents and airline representatives were the guests of Lu Fen Yan, president of the China International Travel Service and reportedly a senior and influential member of the cabinet, at a reception held in the Great Hall of the People in Tiananmen Square.

Welcoming the Israelis, she expressed hope that their visit would herald the start of fruitful co-operation between the two countries.

China and Israel established diplomatic relations in January.

El Al reciprocated the Chinese welcome the following evening with a reception for officials of the China Travel Service and Air China, the airline of the People's Republic of China, which also operates, through local subsidiaries, China Northwest, China East, China Southeast, Shanghai Air and other airlines.

El Al reciprocates

The inevitable inaugural difficulties were handed capably by El Al personnel, as well as tour guides and officials of the Geographic-Neot Hakikar Travel Agency, which for several years has organized tours to China and the Far East for Israelis via roundabout routes with other airlines.

Clinton seen as Jewish choice

By MAURICE LUCOW

VICTORIA —

If elections were held in the United States right now, most Jews would vote for Bill Clinton, according to U.S. political and foreign policy consultant John Rothman, who spoke at a bi-regional conference here of Hadassah-WIZO. Delegates were in attendance from British Columbia and Alberta.

Rothman, who is also an expert on Middle East affairs, said the problem in the United States is that Clinton, so far, has not stated a definite position on Israel. When it comes to foreign policy, the U.S. president is "king," he said and while Al Gore, the vice-presidential candidate is a known friend of Israel, Clinton has not come up with a policy.

Further, people being mentioned in U.S. political circles about possible choices as secretary of state and national security adviser, if Clinton wins, are not known to be "great advocates of Israel." Rothman did not name them.

Rothman said he had no problem with Senator Gore with regards to Israel, but reminded his audience that the vice-president has little influence in foreign affairs. He had a kind word for Vice-President Dan Quayle, should he have to succeed President George Bush. Quayle, the speaker said, has been a great friend, who has said he favors Jerusalem as Israel's capital — as opposed to Bush's view on the subject, and who has called himself a Zionist.

Rothman said Bush is not an enemy of Israel, but he's not a supporter, nor is former Secretary of State James Baker. "So there's a feeling of deep concern among the Jews of America about the elections," he said.

Dealing with the Middle East peace talks, Rothman said Israel is "between a rock and a hard place." The rock is geography and the hard place is demography.

In Syria, Israel faces the problem that two of its main sources of water originate in the Golan Heights and that there are 12,000 Jewish settlers on the Golan.

Rabin, he said, it prepared to withdraw from parts of Syria, but Syria says it won't talk about anything except a complete withdrawal. Because Syria is not a democracy, it's hard to know if Assad will remain as president or who will succeed him, should he be thrown out, so it's difficult to make a deal.

The talks between Syria and Israel "will be very interesting and intense in view of the differing views of what land for peace means," said Rothman.

He said that there is a "wall to wall" consensus in Israel opposing the establishment of a Palestinian state. Between them, the Labor and Likud parties attained 75 percent of the vote and both sides were adamant during the election campaign that a state was not in the cards.

The difference between Rabin and Shamir is that Rabin is in favor of concentrating settlement in strategic areas, such as Jerusalem, the Golan and the Jordan Valley, where 90 percent of the settlers live, whereas Shamir wanted to settle the Gaza and the whole of the West Bank.

Esther Matlow, national president of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO, reporting on the "pulse" of Israelis, said the body politic is strong — the state and its citizens are healthy and strong.

There is a feeling of having become an equal among the nations of the world and that Israel is no longer isolated.

Diplomatic relations have been formulated with China, and the Japanese, who had previously adhered to the Arab boycott, are now freely trading with Israel. Although the Arab states, except for Egypt, are still hostile, "there is little cause for concern, for Israel is militarily powerful and able to meet any challenge."

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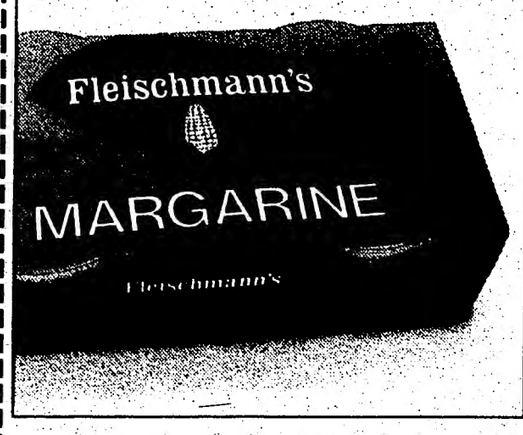

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ראש השנה איז אין אַ סך וויכטיקע הינזיכטן אַנדערש פון די אַנדערע ימים טובים. אַלע אַנדערע פייערונגען זײַכענען זיך אויס מיט זייער נאַציאָנאַלער חשיבות און זיינען געווענדעט צום גאַנצן יידישן פֿאָלק. ראש השנה איז אָבער געוויסמעט דעם אינדיווידועלן מענטש. יעדער יד איז דערמוטיקט אונטערצוציען אַ חשבון־הנפש. אַריינקוקן זיך. אין האַרצן, כדי ווידער נישט צו זינדיקן, און זיך אַריינטראַכטן אין פערזענלעכע לעבנס־פראַגן און זיי באַהאַנדלען אויף אַ פאָזיטיוון אופן. מיט ערלעכקייט און תשובה.

אמת, ראש השנה האָט נישט קיין ספעציעלן היסטאָרישן באַזיס, אָבער טראָץ דעם איז ראש השנה אוניווערסאַל אין זיין באַדייטונג. יעדער יום־טוב שטאַמט פון אַ ביבלישן עפיזאָד. אין אונדזער חומש ווערט ראש השנה געשילדערט ווי אַ יום תרועה — אַ טאָג, ווען מען בלאָזט דעם שופר. אונדזערע שפעטערע חכמים האָבן צוגעגעבן וויכטיקייט צו ראש השנה, און האָבן איינגעשטעלט ראש השנה, ווי מיר קענען עס היינט, אַלס אַ יום־הדין און יום־הזכרון.

דווקא די רבנים האָבן אין דער משנה צוערשט באַשטימט אָנצורופן דעם יום־טוב ראש השנה — דער אָנהויב פון נייעם יאָר. זיי האָבן באַאיינפלוסט די טעמע פון די תפילות: „וועט בלייבן לעבן און וועט אַוועקגיין פון דער וועלט; וועט מצליח זיין און רייך ווערן און ווערט פֿאַראָרעמט ווערן".

צווישן די תפילות צו בעטן אויף פֿאַרזיכערן זיך אַ גוט יאָר, בלייבט דאָס שופר בלאָזן די צענטראַלע צערעמאָניע פון ראש השנה. אייגנטלעך, לויט אונדזער פאָלקס געשיכטע,

האָבן די העברייאישע שבטים געבלאָזן שופר, ווי אַ מלחמה רוף, אָדער ווען אַ נייער קעניג ביי יידן האָט אָנגעהויבן צו הערשן. מיט יאָרן שפעטער איז דער שופר געוואָרן אַ שוהל־אינסטרומענט, צו רופן אַלע יידן צו תפילה און תשובה.

אין אמתן בלאָזט מען שופר נאָר בייטאָג און אויך אַ גאַנצן חודש אלול, אין דער צייט ווען פערזענלעכע אומרואיקייט און דאגות פאַנגען זיך אָן. לויט ווי די פאָלקס־לעגענדע דערציילט: אפילו פיש אין וואַסער הויבן דעמאָלט אָן צו ציטערן.

עס איז אַן אינטערעסאַנטער מנהג ביים ראש השנה דאַוונען, ווען טייל פון די מתפללים, ספעציעל דער רַב און דער חזן, פאַלן כּורעים, דאָס הייסט זיי בייגן זיך מיט קני און קאָפּ אויפן דיל פון שוהל. עס איז מערקווירדיק, אַז יידן קניען נישט ביים דאַוונען ווי עס טוען קריסטן און מאַכמעדאַנער. אין די צייטן פון בית־המקדש פלעגן זיי דאָס יאָ טאָן, אָבער נאָכן חורבן נישט. טייל שאָקלען זיך ביים דאַוונען מיט התלהבות, אָבער קניען נישט אַחוץ ראש השנה ביי „כורעים און משתחוים". די מנהגים אין די בית המקדש צייטן זיינען געווען גאָר אַנדערש. מען האָט

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Top European Jews favor political union to end anti-Semitism

PARIS (JTA) —

Concern over recent manifestations of neo-Nazi violence and anti-Semitism has prompted European Jewish leaders to rally support for the proposed treaty on a European political and economic union.

They believe a unified Europe is a potent weapon against the nationalist chauvinism that has been seen in many of the recent violent demonstrations against foreigners seeking asylum in Germany.

The organized Jewish community here has expressed support for the so-called Maastricht accord as France prepares to hold a nationwide referendum on the treaty Sept. 20.

A firm voice in favor of the union is Jean Kahn, head of CRIF, the representative body of French Jewish groups, although the community as a whole has taken a more muted stand in the vote on Europe's future.

The European Jewish Congress, an affiliate of the World Jewish Congress, has also come out strongly in favor of a yes vote.

In a carefully worded statement, the board of CRIF said that the "collapse of communism, the exacerbation of nationalistic, ethnic and religious passions make the pursuit of building Europe a necessity."

The Maastricht Treaty, it said, facilitates the transition from a community of European nations to "the political, economic and monetary union of a European whole, able to prevent conflicts and to affirm itself in the world of the next century."

Without explicitly asking Jews to cast an affirmative vote on the Sept. 20 referendum, the CRIF statement called on voters to "ponder all the elements" at stake.

Serge Cwajgenbaum, secretary-general of the European Jewish Congress, which is based here, is advocating ratification of the treaty as a path toward increased democracy in Europe.

"The continuing racist attacks in Rostock and riots in two dozen other cities in Germany by extreme right-wing elements are worrying and shocking events," he said.

He pointed out that in the same week, assailants damaged a Jewish memorial in Berlin, 200 graves were desecrated at a Jewish cemetery in the French region of Alsace and a synagogue was torched in the French town of Saint-Avold.

"An obvious contamination is spreading, stimulated by the too-little and too-late reactions of the responsible authorities, particularly in Germany," said Cwajgenbaum.

He called on the European Parliament to denounce these "vicious" attacks. He said his organization will act in France, Germany and elsewhere in Europe "to fight against this blind violence," and urged "as an alternative," the ratification of the Maastricht treaty as a path toward pursuit of "peace and democracy in Europe."

Meanwhile, French President Francois Mitterrand decried the desecration of the Jewish cemetery in the Alsatian town of Herrlisheim.

In a letter to CRIF leader Kahn, Mitterrand expressed "feelings of revolt and indignation" at the incident and his "strong wish" to see the perpetrators punished.

But police investigators say the culprits will be difficult to find for lack of clues.

In Rome, the leader of the Italian Jewish community said that the upsurge of racism and anti-Semitism in Germany and elsewhere in Europe is a threat not only to Jews and other minorities.

"What we are witnessing is a warning to the whole of Europe," Tullia Zevi, president of the Union of Italian Jewish Communities, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

She applauded the recent stand taken by Italian authorities in banning rallies by skinheads near Rome. She said the authorities had acted "swiftly and efficiently" to block the planned rallies by the right-wing extremists.

In a series of television and press interviews that have received widespread attention, Zevi warned of the need for vigilance.

She told national television that the skinheads' best ally is indifference. "Good people have to understand for whom the bell tolls. Today, the danger is for everyone," she said.

She termed anti-Semitism "an instrument of subversion. What we are seeing is a re-emergence of the destructive and authoritarian right, of that right wing which 50 years ago produced horrors not only against us Jews, but also against the political opposition."

Zevi dismissed as irrelevant reports that there were only 5,000 skinheads in Germany, observing that Adolf Hitler "began with far fewer."

And she pointed to analogies with the 1930s.

"The political chaos associated with severe economic hardships recall those years," she said, noting that 35 percent of Poles live in conditions of misery, up to 40 percent of workers in eastern Germany are unemployed and "the bloody Yugoslav laboratory shows us to what level atrocities in ethnic conflict can descend."

She warned against minimizing the danger from the right in today's Europe.

"The real danger is that groups of neo-Nazis find strength and encouragement in the conviction of being interpreters and actors of ideas and behavior that others do not dare to show, but at the same time agree with.

"This is what happened in Germany in the 1930s," she recalled. "Who rose up against Kristallnacht? Woe unto us if we remain indifferent."

Germany may curb refugees to end neo-Nazi violence

BONN (JTA) —

Following the recent wave of anti-foreigner violence in Germany, the Bundestag will next month consider legislation curbing the right of asylum.

A proposed amendment to the constitution will limit the granting of refugee status to persons suffering political persecution and restrict access to so-called "economic refugees," a spokesman of the ruling Christian Democratic faction announced last week.

The uncontrolled influx of refugees is partially to blame for the attacks on refugee hostels in a number of cities, particularly in eastern Germany, he said.

Members of the opposition Social Democratic Party have said they are reconsidering their opposition to curbing immigration in the wake of rampages by far-right gangs.

Support for the change came last week from Manfred Rommel, the mayor of Stuttgart and president of the National Organization of German Town Councils.

The son of a German World War II hero, Field Marshal Erwin Rommel, the Stuttgart mayor said many communities are unable to cope with the large numbers of economic refugees who claim asylum to win state support.

The speaker of the Bundestag, Rita Sussmuth, assured her Israeli counterpart that any change in the constitution would be directed at ensuring asylum for those persecuted for their political beliefs.

She was responding to a message of concern over neo-Nazi violence in Germany from Knesset Speaker Shevah Weiss.

The News in Brief

University deal with Russia

JERUSALEM — A co-operation agreement was signed laste week between Maimonides, the first Russian Jewish university and Bar-Ilan University. Bar-Ilan and Maimonides are to conduct student and faculty exchanges and hold joint conferences.

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Drug use figures

JERUSALEM — Six percent of Israeli soldiers use drugs as do 6.4 percent of high school students, Member of Knesset David Mena (Likud) said last week on a tour of northern border settlements. Mena claimed Israel has 200,000-250,000 drug users and 30,000-40,000 addicts.

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Jobless claims rise

JERUSALEM — New claims for unemployment compensation soared 23 percent in August compared to the previous month, while the total number of claims set a new record at about 90,000, the National Insurance Institute has reported.

Some 16,500, or 21 percent of all claims were new. The average for previous months was 17 percent. Total claims were up 5.6 percent from the previous month, and NII officials said they were baffled by the sudden jump.

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New JNF chief

JERUSALEM — Yitschak Elyashiv has been appointed director-general of the Jewish National Fund by the JNF's board of directors. A former chairman of the board of the Israel Postal Authority, he was also mayor of Azor, near Tel Aviv, for 15 years, and served a term as chairman of the Union of Local Authorities.

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Little interest in Somalia

JERUSALEM — Neither the Israeli public, the government, nor local drug companies seem to be showing much interest in the emergency fund-raising campaign to help famine victims in Somalia, officials for the country's Magen David Adom emergency medical organization said last week.

In the two weeks since the organization began the campaign, only $15,000 has been contributed by the public, the government has promised just $10,000 and local drug companies have shown little interest in donating medications.

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Cuts will hurt settlements

JERUSALEM — The government risks driving Jewish residents of the territories from their communities by making life there unbearable, a World Zionist Organization official said in response to the government's plan to cut $16 million from the Settlement Department's budget.

Ofer Laufman said the planned budget cut means that in some small settlements money will be unavailable to build small factories that were designed to employ the local residents.

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German tourist killed

JERUSALEM — An Israeli army patrol shot and killed a German tourist last week after he tried to cross the border into Jordan.

Israeli soldiers spotted the tourist attempting to cross the frontier near the Dead Sea, the Israel Defence Force spokesman said.

The patrol ordered him to stop, and fired several warning shots into the air. When the man failed to halt, the soldiers fired at him.

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Australia won't prosecute

JERUSALEM — Australia has decided not to prosecute suspected Nazi war criminal Karlis Ozoles, even though the Australian Special Investigations Unit (SIU) had recommended he be brought to trial on charges of being an officer in a Latvian murder squad.

Australian Attorney General Michael Duffy said the case was being dropped for lack of evidence. Ozoles is suspected of being an officer in the notorious Latvian Arajs murder squad which was active in both Latvia and Belarus.

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Messiah hotline set up

JERUSALEM — The ultra-Orthodox Lubavitch movement in the United States has established a toll-free hotline number to provide information about the coming of the Messiah.

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Kessim stage sit-in

JERUSALEM — Having failed to win full-fledged recognition from Israel's two chief rabbis, the Ethiopian Jewish community's religious leaders resumed a sit-in demonstration last week at the Prime Minister's Office.

The religious leaders, known as kessim, are seeking the authority granted rabbis in Israel to perform marriages and divorces. Their request has met with consistent refusal on the part of Israel's chief rabbinical council.

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Slain athletes remembered

BONN — A commemorative service was held last week at the Olympic Village in Munich for the 11 Israeli athletes who were killed in a hostage-taking attack by Arab terrorists during the 1972 summer Olympics.

The ceremony was organized by the German Olympic Committee. Among the Israelis present were the widows of slain athletes Andre Spitzer and Yosef Romano and the fathers of slain athletes Eliezer Halfin and Mark Slavin.

After laying a wreath at the memorial plaque for the 11 Israelis, the participants drove along the route taken by the terrorists and their hostages to the Furstenfeldbruck airfield near Munich.

It is there, crowded in two helicopters with the terrorists who captured them, that most victims were killed during an unsuccessful rescue attempt by German police.

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Arab patron of Israel Museum

JERUSALEM — Sheik Itshak Idris Sakhouta, religious advisor to the World Islamic League, a large international religious organization based in Saudi Arabia, has donated $1,000 to the Israel Museum, becoming its first Arab patron.

At the annual Corporate Luncheon of the Israel Museum, Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek remarked that he had just returned from opening the Arab Central Library, which is supported with funds contributed by German Christians and American Jews. There he had commented that he looked forward to the day when such projects would be funded by Arabs as well. "Little did I know what a prophet I was," said the mayor, thanking the Sheik for his contribution. The mayor is chairman of the Israel Museum.

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Luitjens loses latest appeal

OTTAWA — The Supreme Court of Canada has turned down an appeal by former Nazi collaborator Jacob Luitjens that it review a decision of a Federal Court judge that led to the loss of his Canadian citizenship.

The court decision was welcomed by Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai Brith Canada, which have been calling for a stepped-up pace of prosecutions of Nazi war criminals.

Congress spokesman Milton Harris suggested that federal authorities also consider another avenue of action against Luitjens — agreeing to an extradition request from Holland, where Luitjens has been convicted in absentia for collaboration. That route might be quicker than deportation hearings and it would ensure Luitjens is sent to the country where he would face justice, Harris said.

B'nai Brith spokesman Ian Kagedan said the High Court's decision "should inspire the rest of the process to get on with the job. . . .Justice delayed is justice denied," he said.

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Pollard's sentence

WASHINGTON — B'nai B'rith International last week called on U.S. President George Bush to commute the life prison sentence of Jonathan Polland, the former naval intelligence officer convicted in 1986 of spying for Israel.

BBI's resolution was passed at its biennial convention. With more than half a million members, the inclusion of BBI's resolution brings to more the five-million the number of supporters in the United States and Canada who have called for Pollard's release.

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Cemetery hit again

BUENOS AIRES — For the fourth time in a month, vandals have desecrated the Jewish cemetery at Mar del Plata, a seaside resort about 250 miles south of Buenos Aires.

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Jewish Life

By RABBI HOWARD JOSEPH

A Midrash tells us that after the extreme event of the Akedah, Abraham sent Isaac to study in the "tents of Shem and Eber." These ancient biblical figures are considered to be the guardians and bearers of pre-Abrahamite traditions of faith in the Creator God. Isaac's supreme act of devotion must now be concretized into everyday life commitments or else it could be in danger of evaporating. Intensive study can inspire devotion and consolidate it as well. Jews have always understood this lesson.

Someone compared this process to the chemist's quest for the universal solvant, some substance that will dissolve everything. The story is told about a young man whose uneducated immigrant parents made great sacrifices in ord. r to provide him with higher education. After a few days in university, his father enthusiastically tried to question him about his studies in chemistry. Not thinking that his father was able to comprehend his studies, the boy finally explained that his work involved searching for a universal solvent. His uneducated but clever father then asked: What will happen when you find it? Since it dissolves everything, what container could hold it?

Jews have always believed that Torah study is the container that can successfully hold, preserve and inspire intense faith, devotion and commitment to Judaism.

Our sages usually understood references to tents in the Bible as being schools, academies or yeshivot. When Jacob is described as ish tam yoshev ohalim — a simple man, a tent dweller - it meant that he was studious, devoting much time to learning Torah. Joshua ben Nun, Moses' trusted aide and eventual successor, led the subsequent entry into the Promised Land. Of him the Bible says "Joshua ben Nun, Moses's aide, never left the tent." Joshua was imbued with learning and was Moses' prime pupil. It is this intense understanding that inspires him to confidently stand up for the destiny of the people.

Involvement with intense Jewish learning helps us understand why we are different and why it is important to maintain our difference. It gives us the "what for" of Jewish existence, the values and principles by which we must live. Jewish learning is the attachment to the Sinai Covenant.

At its best, education enables us to understand who we are and what we are. It explores the why of Jewishness. It links our today with our yesterdays and tomorrows. It gives clarity, meaning and purpose to an identity that can otherwise be vague and ambiguous. Education allows us to be participants in and shapers of Jewish life. It breeds love for Judaism rather than hate for that which is non-Jewish. It teaches Judaism as an entire orientation to life including philosophic ideas about the nature of our world, and moral principles for personal, family and social values. Being Jewish is transformed from an often burdensome attachment to the past into a blessing of enrichment for our present and future lives. It leads to a positive and informed Jewish identity.

The modern condition demands us to not rely upon outside hostility to preserve our identity; we must develop our inner resources. That is why, since the beginning of modernity, the expansion of Jewish educational opportunities has been high on the agenda of Jews and Jewish communities. Today we are blessed with numerous types of Jewish schools from advanced yeshivot to elementary Hebrew schools. Their purpose is not just to provide information but the formation of devoted Jews who will live according to the covenantal traditions and pass them on.

Modern society is based on the freedom, liberty and rights of the individual. No one can force us to belong to the Jewish community. Each one of us must choose to be a Jew, to belong to a congregation, to contribute to Jewish causes, to participate in Jewish life. Our problem, therefore, is how to address the individual so that he or she will choose the way we hope. The strength and future of Judaism depends upon individual Jews choosing to be committed to observing and transmitting Judaism.

More and more the responsibilities of the community centre on educational activities and programs that will form Jews into positive and committed bearers of Judaism. The strength, devotion and commitment of each individual will be the strength of the community and nation.

(The author is the rabbi of the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, Shearith Israel of Montreal.)

Budget restores yeshivot grants

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A proposed cut in allocations to the WZO Settlement Department was halved and now stands at $8 million.

A cut of $20.8 million in grants to yeshivot was restored; religious cultural projects were allocated an additional budget of $23 million; and $6.3 million was put back in allocations to religious councils.

Deri showed up at the cabinet meeting only after being assured that most of his demands were met. In exchange, he agreed to the establishment of a committee that would review the balance of allocations between religious and non-religious institutions.

Shohat submitted the budget to the cabinet on Sunday, praising it as a good plan that reflects "the new national order of priorities."

Proposing an overall drop of some $4 billion from the current year, the budget slashes $375 million from several ministries, particularly funds used to build housing in the administered territories. The savings are channeled to investments in infrastructure and education.

The new budget foresees an unemployment rate of 10.7 percent, only a slight drop from the current rate of 11.1 percent. This prompted criticism even from members of Rabin's Labor Party.

Earlier, Bank of Israel Governor Jacob Frenkel criticized the budget for falling short in investment in infrastructure to ensure economic growth and reduction in unemployment over the longer term.

He urged cuts in defence and housing. The budget cuts housing allocations to about $3 billion, the level at which it stood before the wave of aliyah began in late 1989. The defence budget was cut by $83 million.

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Front Line

Israelis offered country a new start in past year

By YESHAYAHU ANUG

5752, the year that is about to join the past, gave renewal a chance. By a small majority the electorate has offered the country a new start. It was more a disqualification of the losers than an unconditional vote of confidence in the declared intentions of the winners. Now, a new and somewhat fragile government is in place and is cautiously searching for solutions. It proves to be a difficult task.

Readers of this column may have wondered why so much attention was often devoted to the ups and downs of the peace process. This was not a matter of preference, but of conviction that its conduct, even beyond the distant goal of peace itself, is central in that it also determine success or failure in handling the economy and immigrant absorption.

When Yitzhak Shamir went to Madrid, he earned respect and credit. Yet, when it became obvious that his priorities had not changed, that so much was invested in the construction of new settlements at the cost of nearly everything else, and that his policies were isolating Israel and closing its political and financial credit lines, his party lost the elections.

Expectations are now high within the country and even higher abroad, but reality remains complex and miracles are rare. However, the mood is improving despite difficulties and regional turbulence around Iraq where developments are expected. Empty rhetorics are avoided by the new leadership, inherited taboos are being challenged and a breeze of healthier realism is slowly pervading the air. The effect is salutary, but contributes to heightened expectations as well as disillusionments.

The government's plans to radically re-order the national priorities are encountering major political obstacles and are only moving ahead slowly. Despite the "freeze" of 7,000 new settlements in the territories, the construction of 11,000 units started before the decision was made, continues. But there are suddenly no would-be buyers for these apartments. Rabin's government will have to honor the undertaking of its predecessor to buy unsold housing directly from the builders and there will be probably over 40,000 such units in Israel and in the territories, at the cost of over two billion U.S. dollars to the taxpayer.

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For this and other reasons, the budget proposal for 1993 is much less promising than envisaged. However, as other huge investments in the territories and incentives for settlers have been cancelled, more money will be spent on the neglected infrastructure in green-line Israel. Investment in education is also being slightly increased and the new Minister, Shulamit Aloni, has ambitious plans to overhaul the entire network.

There are also plans to restructure the tax system to promote privatization, investments and initiative. Yet, unemployment is not expected to decrease substantially before 1994/95. New steps to improve health care are being made. The defence budget may not grow, but won't be substantially reduced either.

Within the enlarged perimeter of Jerusalem, subsidized housing projects are continuing, but the intrusions of extremists-settlers into the Muslim Quarter of the Old City, encouraged and financed by the Likud government, are being stopped. The government is determined to reduce the sources of friction in the walled city. In that small and sensitive part of Jerusalem, a mosaic of cultures can only co-exist in a climate of mutual tolerance.

As a result of the new atmosphere, tourism is booming again in the only recently deserted streets of the Old City. The intifada has lost much steam everywhere because of fatigue and good police work. Incidents occur when arrests of wanted hard-core terrorists are made. On the whole, while attacks from that sector still happen now and then, there is a visible reduction of violence everywhere.

Rabin's Israel came to the conference table in Washington with the intention to change the atmosphere and succeeded. But beyond this, the present draft of its autonomy plan for Palestinians and their reaction to it have so far broken little ground. It is much too early to forecast deadlock, as both sides will be careful and will continue to talk.

Israel's efforts to isolate the PLO and cultivate a Palestinian team independent of that organization have failed under Shamir and are not more successful under Rabin, who is not even denying that the PLO is involved. But this is not a major issue. It is understood that the Palestinian negotiators, who had not been elected, need some authority and internal legitimacy in the territories and have to lean on the PLO leadership in Tunis.

It does not necessarily follow that if the negotiations will progress, the same negotiators will be as dependent on PLO legitimation as they are present. It is a very delicate — but inevitable game. Furthermore, in the territories the PLO is vehemently opposed by the Islamic fundamentalist Hamass, which abhors any peace process with Israel.

And it stands to reason, that should elections take place in the West Bank and in Gaza, the PLO, accused of "negotiating with the enemy" may do slightly better in contesting Hamass, if the Israeli boycott of the PLO is officially maintained.

By the way, it is uncertain whether elections will take place in the spring. The Palestinians are not ready for a democratic test and, in fact, not ready for change and afraid of it. They are in deep internal trouble.

The talks with Syria are now more realistic than they were before, but any progress must overcome Syria's insistence on a preliminary Israeli undertaking to fully withdraw from the Golan. But as public opinion in Israel is slowly moving towards accepting the idea of a partial withdrawal, this could lead to some common ground and to other options at the right time.

The notion of modifying Syria's lasting role as Israel's most threatening neighbor is tempting. No sensational development should be expected in the very short range, but the subject is given increased consideration, despite the security aspects and the lesser, but more emotional issue of the 14,000 Jewish settlers on the heights.

Everyone seems to look at the peace conference: Israelis incredulous, but willing to be convinced that something is needed moving, Arabs outwardly sceptical and as ever-ambitious in their expectations.

Yet, according to Yitzhak Rabin, a settlement with the Arabs could be outlined within the year. This sounds a bit too optimistic, but who knows? After a week's home leave, the Israeli delegation has returned to Washington with new instructions. The U.S. administration, which was not all that active during the last round, will try to pull more strings this time.

Given the proximity of the elections, one must expect some serious American attempts to handle the Iraqi quagmire as well as to achieve progress in the Arab-Israeli negotiations. An arduous task.

Tshuva test tells if you're ready to marry a Galicianer

By ALLAN GOULD

Rosh Hashanah. Yom Kippur. The Days of Awe. The High Holy Days. Oy vey.

These are *serious* days coming up, fellow Jews, when all of us are supposed to look closely at our lives and see if they are wanting. (Or wanton, in the case of some. Shame on you.)

Well, I've been speaking with some psychologists recently about this whole concept of Tshuva — of Turning; of Returning to the Right Way. And they've given me some rather good insights. After all, if there is any profession which is particularly Jewish, it's that one.

We Jews really *invented* mental health, when we kept noting that our enemies had pretty well abandoned the concept. This led to the creation of series of so-called psychological tests, on every subject from love to personality to mental state to Florida State, where you can catch some games on your southern vacation this winter.

Allan Gould

So, with the opinions of expert psychologists, with diverse backgrounds ranging from Orthodox to Conservative to Reform to pagan, here is a Jewish psychological quiz I've devised to help you know your security with yourself. Answer the questions frankly, unlike you do with your accountant.

As Rosh Hashanah approaches, how is your self-confidence?

Yes or No

. . . When wandering in a desert, do you hesitate to ask people for directions?

. . . Do you often wish that you had more choices in life, other than expulsion or torture?

. . . Do large crowds frighten or confuse you, especially if you are among 600,000 people standing before a mountain with thunder and lightening all around?

. . . When you hear the expression "Sefer Torah," do you have a desire to put a lock on the ark? ("safer Torah" — get it??)

. . . Are you inordinately fond of mirrors and always find yourself looking for one, even at a house of shiva?

. . . (For younger, single Jews) Do you feel that you can date or marry nearly anyone of your own choosing, providing that he/she is Jewish, not a Litvak (or Galicianer), and your Mom says it's okay?

. . . Can you evaluate objectively if you know that people are criticizing you, such as burning a huge Jewish Star on your front lawn?

. . . If you had a 100 percent average through high school, published five books of best-selling poetry, had all As through university, won the Novel Prize for Economics at the age of 21, and then got rejected from a top grad school, would you suspect them of anti-Semitism?

. . . Are you plagued by strange dreams, such as fighting with an angel, or being promised a land flowing with milk, honey and felafel?

. . . Do you find yourself beating your chest and confessing out loud to sins which you would never even think of committing, while standing next to hundreds of other people doing the exact same thing?

Proper Answers:

1. No, unless you're a woman: they usually have the sense to ask for directions. 2. No. Are you Jews never satisfied? 3. No. You're receiving the Ten Commandments and you're scared? Maybe you expected Charlton Heston? 4. No. Sefer means Book. Did you *never* pay attention in Hebrew School? 5. No. Always looking for mirrors reflects badly on yourself. That's a pun, son. 6. Yes. A mature, thoughtful, intelligent young Jew *should* be able to consider dating anyone of their own choosing, providing that he/she is Jewish, not a Litvak (or Galicianer), and your Mom says it's okay. 7. Yes. Sit back and relax, and be proud. If they were burning a Question Mark on your lawn, it would show that they didn't know what you stood for. 8. No. Don't be paranoid. There could be *lots* of reasons why the graduate school doesn't want to accept you. Like maybe you married a Litvak. (Or a Galicianer.) 9. No. You shouldn't be suffering from dreams like this. Stop eating matjes herring immediately before going to bed. 10. Yes. On Rosh Hashanah, this sort of strange activity is not only acceptable, it's really a must. Have you already forgotten from last year?

Scoring:

Give yourself one point for each item where you agree with the psychologists and then read their analysis as given below:

Six to 10 points:

You are an exceptionally secure person, poised and self-assured. You are capable of facing your own problems with a keen sense of maturity and calmness and are self-contained in times of difficulty. (Are you sure you're Jewish?) Others look to you for help, which you give willingly and without asking repayment, even though health insurance and/or Blue Cross is always welcome. You have the secret inner knowledge of the jou of being alive, and will more than likely be written into the Book of Life, although we're not promising anything.

One to five points:

You are an intelligent, curious person, or you wouldn't be reading such a fine Jewish paper right now. Still, you clearly need to find yourself. Still, if you don't find yourself in the Obituaries, you're already ahead of the game. Stop watching *Geraldo*, even though he has a Jewish mother.

Answer the phone on Super Sunday; the U.J.A. *will* track you down eventually, so why add needless tension to your life? Ignore the penny stock "hot tips" of your brother-in-law; with the exception of taking your sister off your hands, when has he never been right on anything? Most important: You will more than likely be written into the Book of Life, although we're not promising anything.

(Allan Gould is the author of 18 books, including WHAT DID THEY THINK OF THE JEWS? His latest, THE GREAT BIG BOOK OF CANADIAN HUMOUR, will be available in mid-October, regardless of your psychological results.)

Sending Shanah Tovah cards

By MARCEL STRIGBERGER

I wish to comment on a tradition that apprears to have gone the way of the national passenger railway. I am referring to the practice of sending greeting cards for the High High Holiday period.

I remember as a kid growing up in Montreal being very active in getting the Shanah Tovah cards out to family and friends. I'd help put together a list of the most favored people to whom we would send a card. When the time came I would run through the list with my parents and half the fun was listening to their comments as to whether or not some of the notables on the list were still worthy of receiving a card from us.

One such notable was my dad's boss at the fur factory. My father was less than thrilled with the man, who was known to be rather cheap, an Uncle Scrooge. My father's metaphorical description in Yiddish of the man was a little more graphic. As the gentleman's name surfaced, Dad would refer to him as "Der chazer."

I never met the boss. As a child I had visions of some short fat man sporting a little curly tail. Every year we'd send Porky a card.

We also used to send a card to the Berkovitch family. Berkovitch was the milkman. Yes, a Jewish milkman.

Initially Berkovitch used to deliver by horse-drawn carrige. One day he suddenly showed up with a new truck. Neighbors poured out onto the street and started examining the truck as if it were a moon module. I recalled my mother saying, "Mazel Tov Berkovitch". I thought to myself, however, that the horse was not so lucky. Berkovitch wouldn't be getting a card from him.

The problem with sending Berkovitch a card was that unbeknownst to my parents there were about 50 ways of spelling Berkovitch. I would ask whether it had a "v" or a "w" and whether it ended in an "itch" or an "itz". My father would say, "Spell it the same way you spelt it last year. Has he ever returned the card saying we wrote his name wrong?"

I was certain we were misspelling his name. When I examined Berkovitch's card to us, he always misspelled Strigberger. I was happy to leave it at that. At least he wasn't tampering with the milk.

Then there was the uncle in Philadelphia whose name always came up on the annual list. The problem with Uncle Mechel was that he never returned the greeting. Over the years I concluded that there was more of a chance of getting a card from the Liberty Bell. I would ask my father whether we should still send him a card this year and he would say, "I'll send him one. By now it's probably annoying him. Let him platz."

The postal cost of mailing a card was four of five cents. If the envelope was sealed shut, it was five. If the flap was merely folded in, the cost plummeted to four cents.

I remember thinking to myself that the ultimate scare I could give my father that time of year would be to say, "Guess what? I just licked all the envelopes shut." I imagine the same ruse played by my dad's boss would have given him a cardiac arrest.

Today I find that the mailing of cards is a rarity. Instead many people take out ads in the papers. We see notices like, "George and Martha Leibovitch, and Jason and Amy wish their family and friends a happy and prosperous New Year."

It's just not the same, even if I would know George Leibovitch, or Leibovitz for that matter. If I were ever to place an ad, I am not sure that it would reach all my friends and family. It certainly wouldn't reach Uncle Mechel.

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Trade routes

Media reports about Israel's opening of a trade pact with China and an El Al route to Peking show that Jerusalem is making considerable strides in buttressing Israel's economic outreach.

The same bright note can be discerned in another area of Asia where Israeli entrepreneurs have been making important trade inroads. Abraham Rabinovich reports in *The Jerusalem Post* (September 5) that the Muslim republics of the former Soviet Union have welcomed Israeli demarches in the trade sector.

This is in extremely significant development given the zeal with which Iranian emissaries in the Central Asian Republics have been proselytizing their Muslim cousins with promises of religious indoctrination and economic assistance.

Israel's modest success in courting Uzbekistan and Kazakhistan is attributed in part to the exertions of Shaul Eisenberg, a secretive Israeli tycoon whose taste for megabuck financial deals is well known. Through Eisenberg's intervention, a number of representatives from the Muslim republics in question have already visited Israel and concluded commercial deals with Israel.

Israeli technicians have assisted cotton farmers in Uzbekistan in their cultivation of cotton by showing them how to use irrigation techniques which have increased cotton production by 40 percent.

Representatives from other Central Asian republics, Kazakhistan and Tadjikistan, have come to observe the Israeli projects and have come away so impressed that they have contracted with Israel for similar ones.

Naturally, trade with the Muslim republics is only at the beginning stages, with Israel providing cotton-picking machines and drip-irrigation piping. Future plans include the opening of factories in Central Asia for the production of the piping material as well as the manufacture of edible oils. A tomato paste plant is also being envisaged.

Israel is to be commended for its farsighted approach to the newly emergent Muslim republics of Asia. Her official representatives and business entrepreneurs understand that commerce can sometimes take priority over politics. Israel has much to teach, and to learn, from the Muslim states. Both will profit economically from the new business ventures.

Attacks against ethnics

The names of cities such as Hoyeswerda and Rostock in East Germany, Sarajevo in the former Yugoslavia, Colombo in Sri Lanka and Johannesburg in South Africa have sadly become associated in the public mind with ethnic violence in which people of different color, race and religion are pitted against each other.

Yes, according to *The New York Times* (August 19), in a survey it published recently of the alarming rise in crimes against ethnic minorities.

Although ethnic minorities represent only three percent of the British population, they are becoming more and more targets of violence.

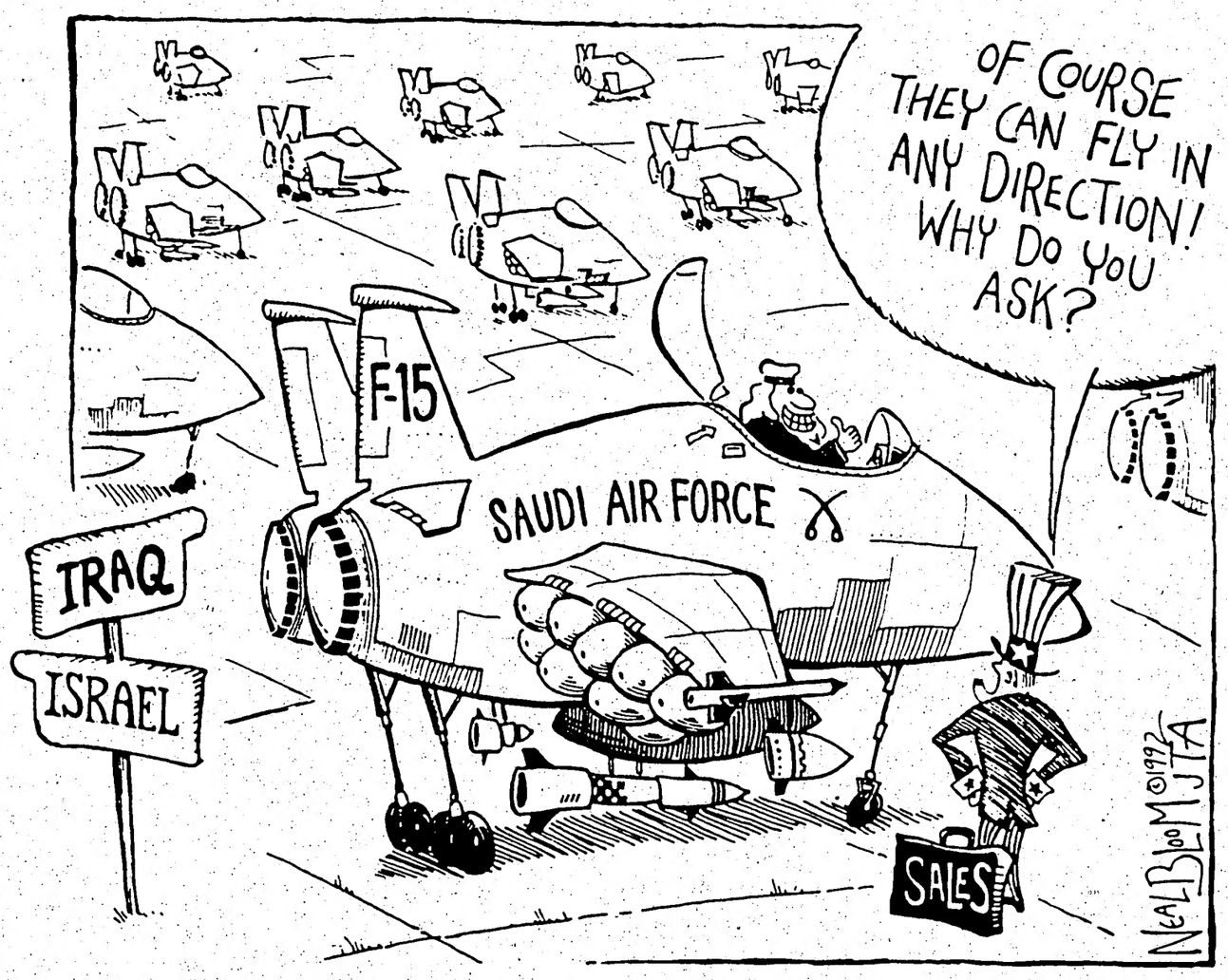
Scotland Yard, Britain's famed police agency, confirmed this unfortunate development when it released statistics showing that there had been 3,373 incidents of racist harassment and assault in the city of London alone last year. In the rest of England and Wales an additional 6,459 attacks against ethnic minorities were reported between 1988 and 1990.

Observers see these developments as responses to the great stresses that are assailing British society: the latter are said to include a growing population of non-whites and a grinding recession which is causing competition for the jobs available.

Thug elements in the British National Party are appealing to xenophobic elements especially in working class neighborhoods and are responsible for a range of odious abuse — from graffiti to physical assault — against ethnic groups, particularly Pakistani and east Indian immigrants in London.

The experience of city governments in East Germany, South Africa and even New York City (one thinks of the pogrom in Crown Heights last year) shows that unless they take a determined stand against organized racist hooligans, the latter interpret any sign of restraint as a failure of nerve. The result can be catastrophic for the public order.

The message conveyed to neo-Nazi racists in England, the United States or Canada itself should be loud and clear: physical harassment and abuse of ethnic minorities will be subject to zero tolerance. The full force of the law must be applied against those who would violate the integrity of democratic society.



Letters to the Editor

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GERMANS CONFESS GUILT

What does it take to convince Holocausts deniers of the reality of that diabolic and monstrous tragedy? They brazenly reject evidence from unimpeachable sources, evidence collected and researched by reputable scholars, and fully supported by personal testimony of survivors. They dispute established truths with lies and distortions, and repeat the canard that the Holocaust is a Zionist plot to extract money from Germany.

Recently, information has surfaced that fully exposes the false propaganda of these Zundel sympathizers. On August 30, *60 Minutes* featured an interview with several middle-aged Germans whose fathers were in the highest echelons of the Nazi hierarchy and who played a key role in engineering the Holocaust. They publicly confessed their unbearable anguish, shame and guilt over the horrible crimes their fathers committed. Surely Jewish educators will take the opportunity of providing this most revealing film to the press, schools and to Holocaust study groups.

Alex Bellan
Toronto

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DISAGREES WITH RABBI

Rabbi Hayman *CJN*, Aug. 21) appears to define Christians and Jews as those that adhere to the moral and spiritual values and rituals formulated in writing between 1500 BCE and 1500 CE.

I feel that Christians and Jews are individuals who, believing in God, continually seek to find and live in the highest moral and spiritual existence possible, with the help of, and through, their own religion's *best* traditions and principles.

Rabbi Hayman and I differ fundamentally.

Jonathan Usher
Toronto

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1,000,000 TO ISRAEL

I read with great interest Professor Sidney Heitman's article on demographic trends. Although Jewish immigration to Israel has decreased I am still very much encouraged. In the years 1990, 1991 and 1992, approximately 500,000 Jews will have immigrated to Israel. Even if the current lower immigration rate of 70,000 Jews a year continues, then from 1993 up until the year 2000 an additional 500,000 Jews will have moved to Israel.

Obviously factors such as worsening conditions in the former Soviet Union, Argentina and South Africa, along with acceptance of the 100,000 plus Ethiopians of Jewish ancestry could significantly raise this figure. At the very least the decade of the 1990s will be known as the time when a massive immigration of at least one million Jewish immigrants to Israel occurred, raising its Jewish population by 25 percent. Quite a phenomenal accomplishment indeed!

Dr. Edan F. Orvitz
St. Catherines

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KEY TO VOLUNTEERS

I write to congratulate you and your staff on publication of the Guide to Jewish Services in Toronto (*CJN*, Community Focus, August 27). It is an informative piece and covers an enormous amount of material.

All of our agencies are critically dependent on volunteer support at every level of their operations. Given the importance of volunteer involvement in maintaining community services, we believe your readership would benefit by knowing the most direct method of accessing information about volunteer opportunities.

The Department for Human Resources Development of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto serves as a centralized clearing house of information and referral to volunteer positions, throughout the network of agencies affiliated to Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto/UJA.

Volunteer information and interview sessions are held, on a regular basis, for the benefit of everyone interested in seeking volunteer involvement in the network of Jewish community service agencies.

Interested parties are invited to call the department office: 635-2883 ext. 137 for more information.

Judy Gwartz, Chairman
Department for Human Resources Development
Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto

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SEEKS MOTHER

I was born in Shanghai, China on June 27, 1944. I am writing to request your assistance in locating my mother, Gertrude Stern. At the age of 3, I was separated from her. My father, now deceased, then took me to the Phillipines, where I was raised.

The following information is all I have pertaining to Gertrude Stern: she was stateless by nationality at the time of my birth in 1944; she was German by birth and Jewish by religion; she lived in Shanghai, China on or about 1940-1946; she subsequently was relocated from Shanghai to California between 1946 and 1947 as a refugee and may have resided on Mayflower Street in Los Angeles.

It has been my fervent wish to find my mother, whom I have been separated from for 45 years.

If you require more information or have any questions, please contact me by fax (604) 435-1969 or by phone (604) 438-8778.

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SUPREME IRONY

The daily press recently reported that Britain's *Sunday Times* would be using discredited historian, David Irving, to translate the Goebbels diaries. Nothing is more offensive to the memory of the victims and to the survivors of the Holocaust than to have the likes of David Irving deny that this horror of all horrors even took place. In a sense there is a certain irony that a man who makes his living perpetuating his nonsensical views should be translating the works of probably history's all-time greatest propagandist and liar.

Bert Raphael
President
Jewish Civil Rights Educational Foundation of Canada

It's a very depressing world my friends

By J. B. SALSBERG

As my old uncle Eliezer used to say: "I wasn't born yesterday." Which meant that he had seen more than a bit of this world's unpredictable behaviour and that nothing that does happen can surprise him.

My good uncle also used to say that our ancient sages, long ago, also said that "if it were not for fear of authority, (meaning governments,) people would swallow one another."

In my youth I not only questioned that pessimistic evaluation of mankind, I rejected it entirely, for does not the same treasure of Jewish humaneness and wisdom also say that human beings "were created in the likeness of God?"

Now that I am no longer young and having lived not in isolation of the human confrontational arena, but in the eye of those confrontational storms, I feel obliged to admit that man has a long way to go to merit the accolade of "likeness to the creator." A very, very long way.

I confess that I am emotionally and spiritually profoundly disturbed by what's now happening in several places of this pain-laden universe. And I'm not thinking, at this moment, of the scores of human values-of tears in many areas of "under-developed" regions of the world where millions of human beings are wandering hungry and ragged in search of food and water. I'm thinking of the hundreds of thousands of what was, until recently, a European area known as Yugoslavia.

J.B. Salsberg

Now, former Yugoslavia is coming apart at the seams that were to have kept together those small Balkan neighboring lands.

Now, various ethnic and religious groups are engaged in a merciless struggle that is turning ancient areas of cultural and spiritual life into massive slaughter-houses of human beings and centres of culture are turned into massive ruins.

Our radios and especially our televisions report of the carnage that is devastating those centuries-old areas of human creativity: it can chill the blood of most observers.

A wounded and bleeding man claimed that his Serb neighbor attacked him with a shovel while driving him and his family from their ancestral home. (I have no reason to doubt that wounded Serbs can also claim that their Hertzogovinian or Bosnian neighbors attacked them also with shovels or hammers.)

Yugoslav Muslims claim that their Christian neighbors attacked them and drove them out of their ancestral homes.

One Yugoslav area is reported to experience an "ethnic cleansing" attack. Which, if true, means that a dominant ethnic group in an area is driving out their neighbors of another ethnic origin from that area and are moving into the "vacated" homes, and are "acquiring" their livestock and implements.

All-in-all, the present horrible state of affairs in former Yugoslavia is challenging all decent people everywhere to do something about it; to stop the carnage, to stop the killing. Such a humane approach can be expected from Jews, a people that has suffered from such battles among their non-Jewish neighbors.

Should Jews adopt a position in the present Yugoslav ordeal? There is more than one opinion about that.

In a typically Jewish reaction, Israelies seem to have taken their humane instincts seriously and "rushed," according to some, into the rendering of such help.

The Yiddish journalist, Sh. Leichter, of the well known New York Yiddish weekly, *Der Forverts*, argues that Jews should examine both sides of the present Yugoslav conflict before "taking sides."

Leichter says: "We must not allow ourselves to be influenced emotionally by one side in the conflict. If one wants to be honest he has to look at the other side of the coin, even in such a horribly bloodied complication."

In other words, Mr. Leichter cautions against an emotional approach to the present Yugoslavian conflict. He urges an objective approach.

If that is not a typically Jewish approach to a critical international issue then I don't know what a Jewish approach is. And I confess that I'm not ashamed of such an approach.

Yes, there are two sides to every event, but we must aim at being on the side that is right and just, even in a depressing world. . . .

Sri Lanka disproves Ostrovsky allegation

By RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

By Way of Deception is the title of the highly controversial book which was written by Victor Ostrovsky and Claire Hoy, the latter a journalist and the former a one-time Israeli agent of the secret service (Mossad). The subtitle of the book is: *A Devastating Inside Portrait of the Mossad.* The book caused great unease both in Israel and amongst members of the Jewish community worldwide, especially so in Canada, and it has become a veritable godsend for anti-Zionist propaganda.

This book corroborates the belief that Jews aim to control the world, influence and/or corrupt governments in various places, and that the range and power of Jewry International is all-pervasive, a veritable octopus secretly strangling all those who oppose it.

Specifically the book claims that Israel had a nefarious role in the Lebanese bombing of American marines; that the Mossad makes use of blank Canadian passports and is involved in drug smuggling in the Far East; that it is the place of sexual orgies, and so on.

The problem with the book is very simply this: an insider reporting on inaccessible insider information is hard to prove wrong. I have no idea how the Mossad operates and therefore do not know whether Ostrovsky has fabricated his tales for whatever purposes or whether, in fact, Mossad is what he portrays it to be.

Rabbi Plaut

In a brief and fascinating article in the latest issue of *Middle East Focus*, Martin Rudner, a professor at Carleton University in Ottawa, deals with the question of Ostrovsky/Hoy's veracity. He too admits that while the majority of the information could not be verified by him — and this is the core of his article — there is one incident which is reported in the book that has been subject to scrutiny by an independent body.

Ostrovsky tells us that the Mossad committed a series of fraudulent and duplicitous actions in Sri Lanka. His unverified charges rocked the country and a judicial commission was appointed to investigate them. Note that Sri Lanka has been hostile to Israel and its judicial commission could not be impugned to be biased in favor of the Jewish state.

The investigation, which took nearly a year and which expanded its operations into Canada and the United States, handed down its judgements in November of last year. It found all allegations to be false. It said that there was no truth whatsoever in any of the allegations put forward by Ostrovsky and that one construction company on which he focuses never operated in Sri Lanka but rather in Nigeria.

The accusations dealt with the Mossad supporting the rebellious Tamil guerrillas; it claimed that the Mossad engineered a facetious feasibility study in order to help the above-named (non-existing) construction company and that it misled the World Bank and defrauded it of some $250 million, which were then used for the procurement of Israeli arms for the Sri Lankan military.

Sri Lanka became so agitated over the allegations by Ostrovsky that the commissionn's findings had little or no influence on the negative sentiments which the book produced. Sri Lanka broke off diplomatic relations with Israel — and this in a year when many Third World countries restored them.

Canards have a way of persisting against all proof to the contrary. Anti-Zionism is rife in the country — and this in a nation which never had a resident Jewish community. When in December 1991 the UN finally rescinded its odious "Zionism is racism" resolution, Sri Lanka voted against it, the only country to do so which was neither Muslim nor had a Communist past.

Says Rudner: "Whatever its deficiencies, the book *By Way of Deception* has itself become a weapon in a propaganda war. Dramatic tales of Mossad chicanery can beguile the unwary and provoke fear and distrust of Israelis and Jews. Yet the ultimate deception seems to have redounded upon faraway Sri Lanka, where fabrications and disinformation conspired to prop up a perverse policy attachment to an anti-Zionist, and anti-Semitic slur."

This is, of course, not the first instance that shows that anti-Semitism does not necessarily need Jews to give it strength and thrust. The publicity and excitement which surrounded the book upon its publication have subsided, but it is apparent that its after-effects continue to bedevil us.

Arafat proves useful to Israeli hardliners

By
ZE'EV CHAFETS

Ten years ago, during the war in Lebanon, Israel's Likud-led government ordered its generals to avoid a direct hit on Yasser Arafat.

That decision, controversial at the time, was rooted in a shrewd gamble.

Two weeks ago, at the latest round of peace talks in Washington, it paid a belated dividend to the hawks. Ever since the June election that brought Labor's Yitzhak Rabin to power, Israeli hardliners have watched in dismay as, brick by brick, he has dismantled diplomatic stone walls they erected over a decade.

In barely two months he has drastically limited the scope of settlements in the territories, accepted UN Resolutions 242 and 338 as the basis of negotiations, canceled deportation orders for 11 Palestinian activists, ordered the release of some 800 Arab security prisoners, visited the West Bank, winked as two members from his coalition met publicly with PLO officials and tabled a Palestinian autonomy plan that includes elections.

Taken together, these are far more than mere confidence-building measures or public relations gestures; they signal an entirely different Israeli approach to peacemaking.

More significantly, they indicate that Rabin is prepared to enter the never-never land of limited Palestinian self-rule.

Although he and his party are officially opposed to an independent state, it must be clear to him (as it is to the hawks) that autonomy might well lead in that direction.

Surprisingly, Rabin has effected this radical change with little opposition. A growing number of Israelis, tired of the conflict and eager to get on with their lives, are exhibiting a rare optimism that borders on a suspension of disbelief.

People who, for years, unquestioningly accepted the Likud's not-one-inch approach have adopted a Rabin-knows-best attitude and are willing to follow him into the great diplomatic unknown.

Hardliners have been able to do little more than mutter. The Likud has been demoralized by its crushing defeat. Anti-Rabin demonstrations, such as the one held on the eve of the prime minister's U.S. trip in early August, have drawn small crowds.

Even the erstwhile firebrands of the settlement movement, now mellowed and middle-aged, seem unable to whip up any real fervor in opposing the labor initiative. Under the circumstances, the obvious step for the Palestinians is to just say yes.

Israeli proposals may, in their view, be less than perfect, but they provide a key to self-rule. The refusal of Arafat and his representatives in Washington to unlock the door and walk through raises serious questions about their true destination.

There are explanations for Palestinian reticence. The PLO is afraid elections might create a rival local leadership and weaken its influence in the territories. West Bankers such as Faisal al-Husseini and Hanan Ashrawi fear Hamas, the Muslim fundamentalist group which is supported by perhaps 30 percent of the Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza.

Hamas has said it would participate in elections only as a means of gaining power to block a deal with Israel. Hamas and other rejectionists in recent years have killed hundreds of "collaborators."

Even the most optimistic Palestinians realize that elections might result in intercommunal bloodbaths and likely threaten the lives of the winners. The problem is that Palestinians cannot admit they are too divided, violent or self-interested to make peace.

It is easier simply to disparage Rabin as a Yitzhak Shamir clone and reject his proposals. Such an approach may be enough to keep Arafat in power for a while longer and save the skins of the proxies, but it can't lead to a deal.

Worse, it sends a powerful message to hopeful Israelis: The PLO and its supporters are neither ready nor willing for peace. This is precisely what the Likud contends, though Shamir failed to convince the voters.

But as he has so often in the past, Arafat is once again eloquently making the Israeli hardliners' case. If he continues, it is just a matter of time before Labor's proposals will become untenable.

No wonder the Likud thought Arafat was too valuable to kill.

With enemies like him, who needs friends?

(Ze'ev Chafets is an author and columnist for the Jerusalem Report.)

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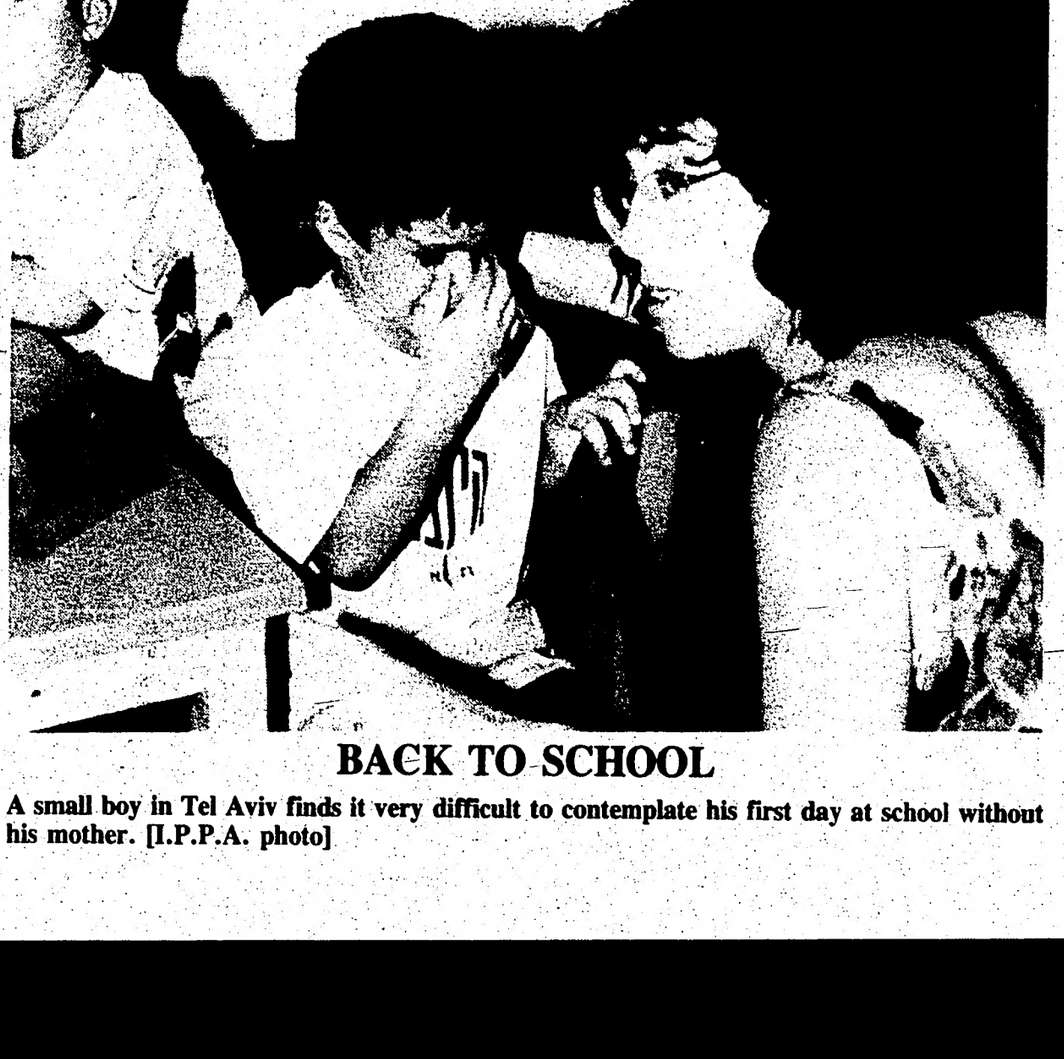

BACK TO SCHOOL

A small boy in Tel Aviv finds it very difficult to contemplate his first day at school without his mother. [I.P.P.A. photo]

Features

Holocaust took heavy toll in Lithuania

BY SHELDON KIRSHNER

In the Baltic state of Lithuania, occupied and plundered by Germany from 1941 to 1944, Nazi barbarians succeeded in exterminating Jews perhaps beyond their wildest dreams.

German mobile killing units (Einzatsgruppen) and local collaborators murdered about 95 percent of Lithuanian Jewry. The figure would have been even higher but for two factors: an estimated 7,000 Jews were deported to Siberia by the Soviet Union on the eve of Germany's invasion, and some 15,000 Jews, sensing imminent catastrophe, managed to escape into the Soviet interior in the first days of the Nazi occupation. A few thousand Jews survived the war in Lithuania, as partisans or as "submarines," hidden by Christians.

The overwhelming majority of Lithuania's prewar population of 240,000 Jews were killed near their homes — the Jews of Vilna (Vilnius) largely in the Ponary (Ponar) Forest, and the Jews of Kovno (Kaunas) mainly on the grounds of former Czarist forts in and around the city.

The killing fields appear sanitized today, set as they are in pastoral rural or semi-rural areas. Only the monuments, the plaques and the museums bear witness to the horror that once gripped these damnable places.

Ponary, some eight kilometres from Vilna, lies amid a pine and birch forest. You hear the twitter of birds, the rustle of branches. You could have a picnic here. It is a picture of contentment, of civility.

But, of course, it is a terrible illusion. One hundred thousand human beings — Jews, Soviet prisoners-of-war and non-Jewish civilians — were brutally executed in Ponary, their bodies later burned in depressions and open pits which are still visible today.

A memorial, with an inscribed Star of David, pays tribute to the deceased. It was erected last year by the Jewish community of Vilnius under the sponsorship of the Lithuanian government. Until 1991, a non-denominational Soviet monument, dedicated to "the victims of fascism," served as the sole reminder of the atrocities. In keeping with Soviet practice and mythology, references to the Jewish dimension of the Holocaust were ignored.

Nearby, a museum of modest proportions, with inscriptions in Russian, tells of the tragedy that unfolded in Ponary. There are stark photographs, including one of frightened naked women huddling on the edge of a pit, waiting to be shot by grinning executioners. A partial list of martyrs rises up on a wall like a column of smoke — Sonia Beks, Hana Rabinovic, Ryva Milchikic...

You flip through a thick guest book. The comments read: "I am a lucky survivor living in the U.S." "Rest in peace. May God forgive us all!" "We, as Jews, must never forget what happened so that nothing like this would ever take place again."

In Kaunas, a vibrant centre of Jewish culture before the war, your first appointment of the day is with Vladas Varcikas, a retired musician. He is fairly tall, with salt-and-pepper hair, and wears a blue suit over a gray jersey and a patterned black and white sweater. Varcikas, a trim 77, is a lapsed Catholic. "Shalom," he greets his guests. In his flat, his solicitous daughter serves tea and canapes.

Varcikas is a Righteous Gentile, having been honored by Yad Vashem as one of those relatively few Christians who, at the risk of their lives, saved Jews during the Holocaust. He and a group of like-minded friends rescued 16 Jews from the jaws of death. They were moved by simple decency, not by the prospect of being remunerated. "There was never a question of taking money or jewelry," he says.

They hid Jews in safe houses and, where necessary, provided them with false documents. Varcikas speaks softly, without outward emotion, as he recalls those fearful days.

But for every Varcikas, there was at least one Lithuanian collaborator, whose handiwork is evident throughout Kaunas.

At the ruins of the Seventh Fort, criss-crossed by trenches, marked by a memorial plaque with a Magen David and rimmed by single-family dwellings and light industry, Lithuanian fascists murdered 3,000 Jews in July 1941, according to ex-partisan Dimitry Gelperin.

Gelperin, a 78-year-old Jew, takes us to the site of the former ghetto, where a polished granite monument with a Star of David is clearly visible amid the rows of delapidated wooden buildings where Jews once lived. Gelperin, who was the deputy director of Lithuania's largest publishing house, speaks movingly of his experiences as a partisan.

Frieda Shilmovitch, a Jewish teacher, meets us in Kaunas' medieval central square. She lived through the war in Siberia, but lost 50 members of her family in the Holocaust. She is an amiable person, but the bitterness of her inconsolable loss breaks through her placid exterior. "Knowing what I know now about the role of Lithuanian fascists, I would not teach Lithuanians today," she says sharply.

As we part, she sends greetings to her old friend, Luba Dimerman, who resides in Winnipeg.

The red-bricked Ninth Fort, completed at the beginning of World War I, housed political prisoners in the 1920s and 1930s and, from 1941 to 1944, swallowed up more than 30,000 Jews from Kaunas and the rest of Europe. It is now a museum.

One monument, signifying pain, liberation and hope, is in Lithuanian, Russian, Yiddish, Hebrew and English. The inscription on a black marble plaque reads: "This is the place where Nazis and their assistants killed more than 30,000 Jews from Lithuania and other European countries."

Zita Nekrosyte, the youthful director, leads a tour of the dank interior, where dripping water from the walls or ceilings seems to be the norm.

Last year, after decades of silence with regard to the fate of the Jews, an exhibition, entitled The Tragedy of Lithuanian Jews in 1941-1944, finally opened at the Ninth Fort.

It is impressive, though marred by poor lighting.

In a gloomy cell, behind a glass partition, you see the scrawled signatures of Jewish prisoners: Loeb, Marcel. Salinsky. Jules Herskovets.

In another cell, there is an exhibit in memory of the Japanese consul in Kaunas who, in 1939 and 1940, gave unauthorized visas to 6,000 Jews and thus enabled them to flee Lithuania.

Photographs and documents, depicting the persecution of Lithuanian and European Jewry, line the walls of a third cell. An inscription in Yiddish, in someone's dried blood, reads: "Jews are being slaughtered."

There are photographs of Jewish resistance fighters. One is of Sarah Rubinson-Gin, who immigrated to Toronto.

In yet another cell, there are photographs of the killing fields and of Lithuanian Christians who helped Jews (notably Varcikas and Ona Landsbergis, the mother of Lithuania's current head of state); a glass urn containing the ashes from wood used to burn the corpses of Jews; and clusters of bullets, eye glasses, combs, pen knives and baby shoes.

The tour ends with a visit to a cell hung with photographs of Lithuanian Holocaust monuments built after the war. "There was only one mistake," apologizes Zita Nekrosyte, whose command of English is halting. "Jews were not mentioned."

Lithuania's sole Jewish museum, the Jewish State Museum, is in Vilnius. Apart from chronicling the Holocaust, it portrays the development of Jewish life in Lithuania. Inaugurated in 1945, it was summarily closed in 1949, and not reopened until last March. Presently housed in temporary quarters, its permanent building will not be ready for occupancy until 1994.

Visitors should expect to be jolted by the Holocaust exhibits.

The photographs of atrocities are searing. An excerpt from the diary of a Lithuanian Christian who witnessed the gang rape of an 8-year-old Jewish girl is simply indescribable. The blowups of Jewish children, cut down in their innocence, are heart-rending.

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Despite severe financial restraints, Lithuania has made an effort to commemorate the Holocaust and to assist its victims.

Halina Kobeckaite, general director of the Department of Nationalities, says the government will erect monuments in Jewish cemeteries. Ghetto survivors living in Lithuania, she adds, are eligible for flats and welfare payments.

Simon Alperowitz, administrator of Vilnius' Jewish community, as well as the great grandson of the illustrious bibliophile Mathias Strashun, wants the government to put up plaques on the sites of former Jewish properties, principally synagogues, schools and hospitals.

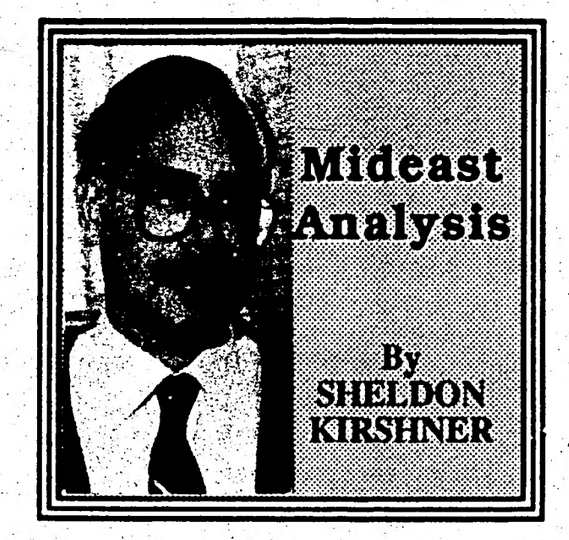
The effort has already begun, but Arunas Grumadas, president of the Vilnius Municipal Council, concedes there are no plans as yet to build a Holocaust memorial in the city where Jews were once so prominent.

Emanuelis Zingeris — honorary chairman of the Lithuanian Jewish community and the only Jew in Lithuania's parliament — reports that the Ministry of Education has prepared books on the Holocaust, which were due to be introduced this month.

Saulius Shaltenis, a member of parliament and a well-known writer and editor, is pleased that this is happpening. "Until now," he observes, "Lithuanians had no opportunities to learn about the Jewish Holocaust." Under communism, he notes, the subject was all but taboo.

Zingeris, whose mother survived the Stuthof concentration camp, maintains that Lithuanians are not "a nation of killers." But he adds an important caveat: "We can't turn a new page in Jewish-Lithuanian relations until knowledge of the Holocaust is disseminated to the population."

Vladas Varcikas (left) and Dimitry Gelperin at the site of the former Jewish ghetto in Kaunas (Sheldon Kirshner photo).



George Bush lambastes Saddam Hussein today, calling him every name under the sun and openly advocating his overthrow. Saddam makes Bush foam at the mouth because the Iraqi leader is a living, breathing reminder of a grave foreign policy failure on the part of the Bush administration.

In the mid-1980s, when Iraq was embroiled in a particularly nasty and costly war with its historic rival, Iran, the United States tilted toward Baghdad. Officially, Washington hewed to neutrality. In reality, the then president, Ronald Reagan, and his vice-president, George Bush, sided with Iraq (although the United States secretly shipped arms to Iran, via Israel, to gain the release of its hostages in Lebanon).

The United States — which re-established diplomatic relations with Iraq in 1984 after a 16 year break — preferred the secular Iraqi regime, with all its obvious warts, to the vehemently anti-American Islamic fundamentalists in Iran. Reagan/Bush feared that an Iranian victory would embolden Teheran to export its fiery brand of fundamentalism to neighboring, pro-American Arab countries. And the Americans perceived Iraq, which had condemned the Soviet Union's invasion of Afghanistan, as a bulwark to Communist expansionism.

U.S. policy failure

So the United States supplied Iraq with vital battlefield intelligence obtained from its spy satellites, granted export licences to U.S. and foreign companies that were helping build Saddam's burgeoning armed forces, encouraged countries such as France, Britain and Egypt to sell sophisticated weaponry to Iraq, provided Iraq with $5.5 billion in loan guarantees for the purchase of U.S. farm products, took Iraq off the list of nations supporting international terrorism and blocked attempts to impose economic sanctions on Iraq for its use of chemical warfare against its Kurdish population.

Clearly, the United States considered Iraq a regional ally, notwithstanding the totalitarian nature of Saddam's regime, his miserable human rights record, his support of Arab terrorists such as Abu Nidal and his antipathy to Israel.

In October 1989, one year after the end of the inconclusive Iran-Iraq War, Bush, as president, formalized America's courtship of Iraq. In a secret White House directive, which was later leaked to the press, Bush suggested that the United States should offer economic and political incentives to Iraq as a way of moderating Saddam's behavior and increasing American influence in Iraq. "Normal relations between the U.S. and Iraq would serve our longer-term interests and promote stability in both the (Persian) gulf and the Middle East," the directive noted.

The Bush administration's policy was based on the reasoned assumption that Iraq, having exhausted itself in its eight-year war with Iran, would concentrate on domestic priorities and not threaten its neighbors.

But Washington's premise of Iraqi intentions was egregiously incorrect, as Saddam accelerated his drive to turn Iraq into a formidable military power with conventional and non-conventional capabilities.

Although congressional suspicions arose that Iraq was misusing U.S. loan guarantees to bolster its military machine and upgrade its nuclear potential, the Bush administration coddled Iraq and carried on as usual:

- In April 1990, less than four months before Iraq's thrust into Kuwait, a senior U.S. diplomat described Saddam as "a force of moderation" in the region.
- In June, a seasoned State Department official told Congress that Iraq was not a "near-term" nuclear threat.
- In July, when the U.S. Senate accused Baghdad of flagrant human rights violations and voted to stop further loans to Iraq, Bush registered his demurral.

Bush has acknowledged that his policy with regard to Iraq failed. But he has denied that he had evidence that Iraq was diverting U.S. funds to buy nuclear arms technology illegally.

The U.S. Congress is investigating this allegation and related charges pertaining to Iraq's massive military build-up. It's an explosive topic in an election year. Sparks could yet fly.

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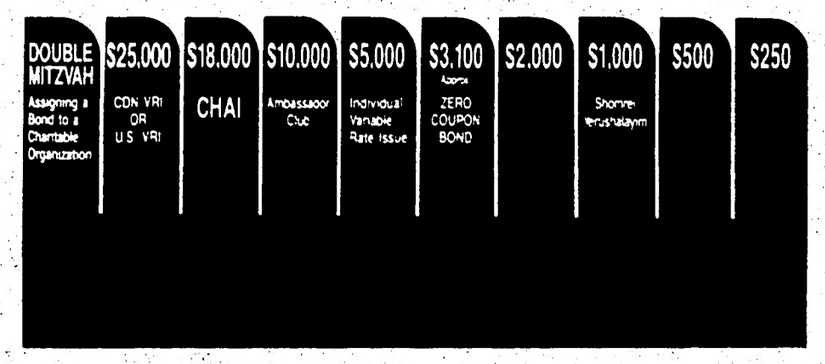

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Organizations and People

Judge Robins to receive prestigious award

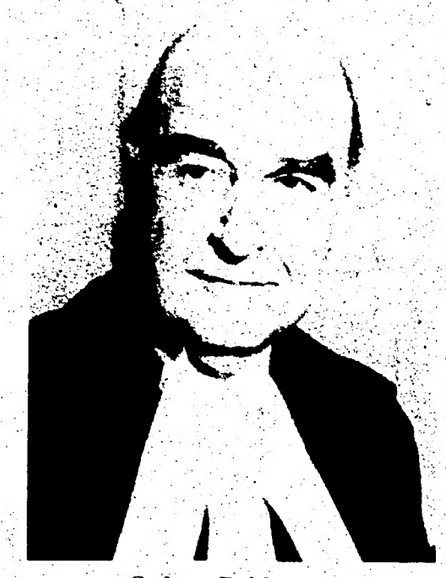
TORONTO —

The chief justice of Ontario, the Honorable Charles L. Dubin, will be presenting the prestigious Sanhedrin Award to Ontario Justice of Appeal Sydney L. Robins at a ceremony to take place at Beth Tzedec Synagogue on Oct. 1 at 7:45 p.m. The event is being held under the auspices of the synagogue's State of Israel Bond committee, which expect upwards of a thousand people to attend.

The Sanhedrin Award, named for the ancient supreme court body comprised of 71 of Israel's most learned and righteous jurists, is awarded to lawyers and judges who personify the biblical injunction "with Justice shall thou judge thy people."

"Justice Sydney Robins is being honored for his exemplary achievements as both a justice on the bench — a pillar of the legal community and a highly respected member of the general and Jewish communities . . .," said Isadore Abrams, State of Israel Bond chairman for Beth Tzedec. "Mount Sinai Hospital, the Baycrest Home for the Aged, Beth Tzedec Synagogue and the Canadian Friends of Haifa University are among the many institutions that have benefited from the dedicated stewardship of our honoree," added Abrams. In addition to his involvement in the Canadian legal community and the Toronto Jewish community, Robins and his wife Gloria are longtime supporters of the State of Israel.

In announcing the selection of Robins and the participation of the Ontario chief justice, synagogue president John H. Pollock revealed that ambassador Meir Rosenne, president and CEO of State of Israel Bonds worldwide, will be the special guest speaker at the upcoming event.



Sydney Robins

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SEPTEMBER/92	TUESDAY 15	1:30 p.m., 1 Chestnut Park Road	Membership Tea	MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL AUXILIARY
		5 p.m., Sheraton Centre Hotel	Anniversary Reception Bank Leumi	BANK LEUMI CANADA
		6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., Rms. 419/420	JFED-Executive	FEDERATION EXECUTIVE
		7:30 p.m., Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue	Nine Lauderette "Kick-Off"	JEWISH NATIONAL FUND
	WEDNESDAY 16	6:45 p.m., Baycrest Centre	Baycrest Tribute-Yiddish Concert	BAYCREST CENTRE/METRO TORONTO LODGE B'NAI BRITH
	THURSDAY 17	Beth Tzedec Museum	"Adorning the Torah" continues until Oct. 15/92	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE, REUBEN & HELENE DENNIS MUSEUM
		7 p.m., Elgin Theatre, Toronto	Festival of Festivals: Gala Night	STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS CONSTRUCTION & DEVEL. DIVIS.
		8 p.m., Home of Debbi Stern	Shalom Toronto Greeters' Reception	JEWISH WOMEN'S FEDERATION - SHALOM TORONTO
	SATURDAY 19	9:15 p.m., Adath Israel Synagogue	Lecture: Annual Sidney S. Cott Memorial	ADATH ISRAEL CONGREGATION
		10 p.m., Beth Tzedec Congregation	Selichot Weekend: Rabbi Irwin Witty	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE
	SUNDAY 20	9:30 a.m., Beth Tzedec Congregation	Men's Club Breakfast & Public Lecture: Rabbi I. Witty	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE MEN'S CLUB
		10 a.m., Deerhurst Resort, Huntsville	National Board Meeting	TECHNION SOCIETY
		10:30 a.m., Royal Trust Main Boardroom	Wills & Estate Planning Clinic	CANADIAN SHAARE ZEDEK HOSPITAL FOUNDATION & ROYAL TRUST
		11 a.m., *Location to be announced*	Annual Tribute to Volunteers Brunch	NA'AMAT TORONTO
		1 p.m., Home of Dorothy Black	Annual Tea	DYSAUTONOMIA FOUNDATION INC.
		2 p.m., Beth Avraham Yoseph Synagogue	Tea - Children's Fashion Show	BETH AVRAHAM YOSEPH SISTERHOOD
	MONDAY 21	6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., Rm. 421	Regional Officers	CANADIAN JEWISH CONGRESS
	TUESDAY 22	6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., Rms. 419, 420, 421	Super Week Telethon	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
		8 p.m., Beth Tzedec Synagogue	Concert: Lt. Col. Arie Braun - Chief Cantor, IDF.	UNITED SYNAGOGUE OF CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM
		6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th floor	Super Week	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
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		7 p.m., Beth Tzedec Congregation	Opening Meeting and Installation	BETH TZEDEC SISTERHOOD
		8 p.m., Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue	Panel Discussion: "Are the Jews an Endangered Species"	SHAAREI SHOMAYIM SYNAGOGUE
	WEDNESDAY 23	6 p.m., Beth Emeth Synagogue, Main Ballroom	Bond Dinner	STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS & BETH EMETH SYNAGOGUE
	THURSDAY 24	6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th floor	Super Week	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
	SUNDAY 27	6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th floor	Super Week	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
	WEDNESDAY 30	9 a.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th floor	Wind-Up Sunday	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
		8 p.m., Bathurst Campus	Parents' Association Meeting	UNITED SYNAGOGUE DAY SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOC.
OCTOBER	THURSDAY 1	6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., Rm. 421	Regional Officers Meeting	CANADIAN JEWISH CONGRESS
		7:30 p.m., Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue	Annual Meeting	REENA FOUNDATION
		7:45 p.m., Beth Tzedec Synagogue	Reception to honour Justice Sydney Robins	STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS & BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE
	SATURDAY 3	8 p.m., Arcadian Court	Monte Carlo Night	ISRAEL CANCER RESEARCH FUND
	SUNDAY 4	9 a.m., 55 Guardsman Trail, Thornhill	Chai-lethon for Jewish Education	CHABAD LUBAVITCH OF MARKHAM
		9 a.m., Montreal Office	National Officers & National Executive Meeting	CANADIAN JEWISH CONGRESS, NATIONAL
		10 a.m., Beth Tzedec Congregation, Mezzanine Hall	Speaker: Prof. Morton Mandla	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE MEN'S CLUB
		10:30 a.m., Inn On The Park	Annual General Meeting	UNITED ISRAEL APPEAL OF CANADA
		2 p.m., Earl Bales Park	Memorial Service	CANADIAN SOCIETY FOR YAD VASHEM
	SUNDAY 5	8 p.m., Holy Blossom Temple	Memorial Service for those who have died of AIDS	HOLY BLOSSOM TEMPLE
	THURSDAY 8	7:30 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg.	Board Development	HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT
	SATURDAY 10	10:30 a.m., Beth Tzedec Congregation	The Sigmund & Gabriella Schmidt Annual Lecture	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE
	SUNDAY 11	9 a.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th floor	Cabinet 1 Breakfast Club	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
		9;30 a.m., Beth Tzedec Congregation	Sukkah Decorating Breakfast	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE
		10 a.m., Beth Tzedec Congregation, Mezzanine Hall	Speaker: Yuli Edelman, Israeli Journalist	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE MEN'S CLUB
		10 a.m., Beth Tzedec Congregation	The Sigmund & Gabriella Schmidt Annual Lecture	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE
	SUNDAY 18	9 a.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th floor	Cabinet 2 Breakfast Club	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
		10 a.m., Beth Torah Synagogue	Sukkah Decorating Breakfast	BETH TORAH CONGREGATION
		10 a.m., Beth Tzedec Synagogue, Mezzanine Hall	Speaker: Prof. Lipton	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE MEN'S CLUB
	WEDNESDAY 21	9:45 a.m., Hospital Board Room	Executive Committee Meeting	MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL AUXILIARY
		7:45 p.m., Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue	Lecture: Prof. Shlomo Avineri	CAN. FRIENDS OF THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM
	THURSDAY 22	7:30 p.m., Beth Sholom Synagogue	Kallah	UJA WOMEN'S CAMPAIGN WITH JWF
	SATURDAY 24	Beth Tzedec Congregation	Speaker: Ms. Dana Irvine	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE
	SUNDAY 25	Poland & Israel	Dessert Meeting	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
		9 a.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th floor	Cabinet 3 Breakfast Club	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
		10 a.m., International Centre	54th Annual "Bazaar & Auction"	NA'AMAT TORONTO
		6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th floor	Young Leadership Dinner Club	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
		6:30 p.m., Inn On The Park	Annual Governors Dinner	ONTARIO MEN'S ORT
	MONDAY 26	6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th floor	Divisional Telethon Week	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
	TUESDAY 27	6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th floor	Divisional Telethon Week	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
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		7:30 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg.	UJA Business & Professional Women Fall Progr.	UJA WOMEN'S CAMPAIGN
		8 p.m., Beth Tikvah Synagogue	General Meeting/Speaker: Dr. Paula J. Caplan	BETH TIKVAH SISTERHOOD
		8 p.m., Private home	Speaker: Dr. Geraldine Kenney-Wallace	WEIZMANN WOMEN FOR SCIENCE
	WEDNESDAY 28	9 a.m., Automotive Bldg., CNE	Annual Bazaar	TORONTO HADASSAH-WIZO
	THURSDAY 29	6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th floor	Divisional Telethon Week	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
	SATURDAY 31	6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th floor	Divisional Telethon Week	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
		Clanton Park Synagogue, Banquet Hall	Dinner honouring Sol Ezeil	CLANTON PARK SYNAGOGUE
NOVEMBER	SUNDAY 1	10 a.m., Richmond Hill Banquet & Conference Centre	Covenant Breakfast honouring Gerda Frieberg	B'NAI BRITH WOMEN OF CANADA
		2 p.m., Adath Israel Synagogue	Afternoon Tea & Fashion Show	ADATH ISRAEL SISTERHOOD
		5:30 p.m., Beth Avraham Yoseph Synagogue	Author's Tea & Fundraiser - Kurt Rothschild	STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS
	MONDAY 2	7:45 p.m., Beth Tzedec Congregation	"Questions for our Times"	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE, BETH MIDRASH PROGRAM
		8 p.m., Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue	Lecture: Dr. Ronald Goldenberg - Diabetes & Hypertension	CANADIAN DIABETES ASSOC.
	TUESDAY 3	7:45 p.m., Beth Tzedec Congregation	"Questions for our Times"	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE, BETH MIDRASH PROGRAM
		9:45 a.m., Hospital Board Room	Board of Directors Meeting	MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL AUXILIARY
		6 p.m., Beth Jacob V'Anshe Driltz	Annual Banquet	KOLLEL ESH DAT
	THURSDAY 5	7:30 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg.	Board Development	HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT
		8 p.m., Holy Blossom Temple	Kristallnacht Memorial Service	FEDERATION, HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE COMMITTEE
	SUNDAY 8	9 a.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th Floor	Jewish Book Week Program - Opening Night	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
		Time to be decided, Oakville	Cabinet 1 Breakfast Club	MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL AUXILIARY
	MONDAY 9	7:45 p.m., Beth Tzedec Congregation	Speaker Phase 1	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE, BETH MIDRASH PROGRAM
		8 p.m., Leah Posluns Theatre	"Questions for our Times"	JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTRE
	TUESDAY 10	7:45 p.m., Beth Tzedec Congregation	Annual meeting	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE, BETH MIDRASH PROGRAM
		7:45 p.m., Beth Tikvah Synagogue	"Questions for our Times"	CAN. FRIENDS OF THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM
	THURSDAY 12	9 a.m., Hospital Mall	Luncheon Date: Alan Lee Keyes	MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL AUXILIARY
	SATURDAY 14	8 p.m., Beth Torah Synagogue	Shabbaton Dinner	BETH TORAH CONGREGATION
	SUNDAY 15	9 a.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th Floor	Casino Night	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
		10 a.m., Lawrence Square	Cabinet 2 Breakfast Club	EMUNAH WOMEN OF CANADA
	MONDAY 16	7:45 p.m., Beth Tzedec Congregation	Bazaar (Shopping Spree)	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE, BETH MIDRASH PROGRAM
	TUESDAY 17	6:30 p.m., Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue	"Questions for our Times"	SHAAREI SHOMAYIM BROTHERHOOD
		7:45 p.m., Beth Tzedec Congregation	Annual Shaarei Shomayim Giant Jackpot Draw	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE, BETH MIDRASH PROGRAM
	WEDNESDAY 18	Beth Avraham Yoseph Synagogue	"Questions for our Times"	BETH AVRAHAM YOSEPH SISTERHOOD
	THURSDAY 19	9 a.m., Hospital Mall	*To be announced*, in conjunction with Holocaust Education Week	MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL AUXILIARY
	SUNDAY 22	9 a.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th Floor	Marketplace	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
		6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th Floor	Cabinet 3 Breakfast Club	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
			Young Leadership Dinner Club	

	DATE	TIME/PLACE	EVENT	ORGANIZATION
Nov. cont'd	MONDAY 23	Beth Tzedec Synagogue Museum	"The Sephardic Spirit" Opening	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE, REUBEN & HELENE DENNIS MUSEUM
		6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th floor	Divisional Telethon Week	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
		7:45 p.m., Beth Tzedec Congregation	"Questions for our Times"	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE, BETH MIDRASH PROGRAM
		8 p.m., St. Lawrence Centre, J. Mallat Theatre	Concert & Reception	CANADA-ISRAEL CULTURAL FOUNDATION
	TUESDAY 24	6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., Rms. 419, 420	JFED-Exechoard	FEDERATION EXECUTIVE
		6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th Floor	Divisional Telethon Week	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
		7:45 p.m., Beth Tzedec Congregation	"Questions for our Times"	BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE, BETH MIDRASH PROGRAM
		8 p.m ., Beth Tikvah Synagogue	Speaker: Dr. Ira Schwelitzer	BETH TZEDEC SISTERHOOD
		8 p.m., Bayview Campus	Parents' Association Meeting	UNITED SYNAGOGUE DAY SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOC.
	WEDNESDAY 25	6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th Floor	Divisional Telethon Week	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
		8 p.m., Private home	Panel Discussion	WEIZMANN WOMEN FOR SCIENCE
	THURSDAY 26	6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th Floor	Divisional Telethon Week	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
	SUNDAY 29	5:30 p.m., Sheraton Centre	Annual Negev Dinner	JEWISH NATIONAL FUND
DECEMBER	TUESDAY 1	7:30 p.m., Leah Posluns Theatre	Theatre Night	COMMON GROUND
	THURSDAY 3	7:30 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg.	Board Development	HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT
	SATURDAY 5	7:30 p.m., Leah Posluns Theatre	16th Annual Jewish Book Fair - Opening Night	JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTRE BOOK FAIR
	SUNDAY 6	a.m., Park Plaza Hotel	Annual Meeting	CAN. SOCIETY FOR THE WEIZMANN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE
		10:30 a.m., Leah Posluns Theatre	Mother & Daughter Lecture "Bittersweet Beginnings"	BETH AVRAHAM YOSEPH SISTERHOOD
	WEDNESDAY 9	1 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., Rm. 421	LD Closing Program	HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT
	THURSDAY 10	9:45 a.m., Hospital Board Room	Board of Directors Meeting	MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL AUXILIARY
	SATURDAY 12	Sheraton Centre, Dominion Ballroom	Media Human Rights Awards Dinner	B'NAI BRITH CANADA, LEAGUE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS
	SUNDAY 13	Beth Avraham Yoseph Synagogue	Social Evening (Mixed)	BETH AVRAHAM YOSEPH SISTERHOOD
	MONDAY 14	6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th floor	Super Sunday 2	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
	TUESDAY 15	6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th Floor	Divisional Clean Sweep Week	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
	WEDNESDAY 16	6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th Floor	Divisional Clean Sweep Week	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
	THURSDAY 17	6 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg., 4th Floor	Divisional Clean Sweep Week	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
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JAN.	SUNDAY 3	7:30 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg.	Board Development	HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT
	MONDAY 4	8 p.m., Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue	Lecture: Dr. Joseph Barber	CANADIAN DIABETES ASSOC.
	THURSDAY 21	8 p.m., Bayview Campus	Parents' Association Meeting	UNITED SYNAGOGUE DAY SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOC.
	WEDNESDAY 27	Beth Avraham Yoseph Synagogue	Sisterhood Program	BETH AVRAHAM YOSEPH SISTERHOOD
FEB.	THURSDAY 4	7:30 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg.	Board Development	HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT
	SUNDAY 7	.9 a.m., Baycrest Terrace	Jewish Women's Festival	JEWISH WOMEN'S FEDERATION
MARCH	MONDAY 1	7:45 p.m., Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue	"Between Moscow and Jerusalem"	CAN. FRIENDS OF THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM
		8 p.m., Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue	Lecture: Passover Food Theme	CANADIAN DIABETES ASSOC.
	THURSDAY 4	7:30 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg.	Board Development	HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT
	SUNDAY 7	Baycrest Centre	Purim Celebration	BAYCREST CENTRE, BAYCREST WOMEN'S AUXILIARY
	WEDNESDAY 17	8 p.m., Beth Avraham Yoseph Synagogue	Annual Fashion Show	BETH AVRAHAM YOSEPH SISTERHOOD
	TUESDAY 23	8 p.m., Beth Tikvah Synagogue	Speaker, Wendy Dennis, B.A., author of "Not A Scholem"	BETH TIKVAH SISTERHOOD
	THURSDAY 25	Baycrest Centre	Baycrest Spring Sale	BAYCREST CENTRE, BAYCREST WOMEN'S AUXILIARY
APR.	SUNDAY 18	2 p.m., Queen's Park - Convocation Hall	Yom Hashoah V'Hagevurah Commemoration Service	CANADIAN SOCIETY FOR YAD VASHEM
	TUESDAY 20	7:45 p.m., Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue	Lecture: Bessie Kleinfeld	CAN. FRIENDS OF THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM
	THURSDAY 22	7:30 p.m., Lipa Green Bldg.	Board Development	HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT
	SUNDAY 25	9 p.m., *To be announced*	Yom Ha'atzmaut Concert	CANADIAN ZIONIST FEDERATION, CENTRAL REGION
	MONDAY 26	10 a.m., JCC North Branch	All Day Yom Ha'Atzmaut Celebration	CANADIAN ZIONIST FEDERATION, CENTRAL REGION
		6:30 p.m., *To be announced*	Women of Valour Dinner: Mrs. Ruhama Goldstein	STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS, WOMEN'S DIVISION
	TUESDAY 27	Baycrest Centre	Public Health Forum	BAYCREST CENTRE, BAYCREST WOMEN'S AUXILIARY
	WEDNESDAY 28	OISE	5th Symposium on Women & Health	MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

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Organizations and People

Experimental vaccine tested among chassidic community

By FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

A Toronto-born pediatrician whose practice is located in Kiryas Joel, a chassidic satellite community of Williamsburg, N.Y., recently completed a study demonstrating the effectiveness of an experimental vaccine to prevent hepatitis A.

Dr. Alan Werzberger, a graduate of Ner Israel Yeshiva College and the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Toronto, told *The CJN* that the Kiryas Joel community has suffered periodic bouts of hepatitis A for over 15 years.

"The cases we do see are probably the tip of the iceberg," said Werzberger, explaining that babies and young children who develop hepatitis A rarely exhibit symptoms.

Problems arise when the disease is transmitted to adults who may suffer significant malaise and anorexia (lack of appetite) and may remain bedridden for weeks.

Hepatitis A is excreted in the feces and is transmitted through the fecal-oral route, explained Werzberger. Children in diapers, especially in day care or classroom situations, thus represent prime sources of the illness "if hygiene is not meticulous."

The Kiryas Joel population was an ideal testing ground for an anti-hepatitis A vaccine, with its predominantly young population consisting mostly of families with more than four children per household. Kiryas Joel is home to about 8,000 people, 5,000 to 6,000 of whom are children, said Werzberger.

"Many [in Kiryas Joel] have 10 children," said Werzberger. "Most have at least one or two in the 3 to 5-year-old age range."

Dr. Alan Werzberger

How is hepatitis A introduced in the first place? Werzberger said that it appears every couple of years because of an influx of people from other countries where the disease is more prevalent. There is also an influx of about 1,000 children from outside the community in the summer, when the incidence of hepatitis A typically peaks.

The situation in Kiryas Joel is problematic because the incidence of hepatitis A is "intermediate," neither extremely high nor extremely low.

"Hepatitis A is interesting," said Werzberger. "It's not a problem if you have a tremendous amount of it. In Ethiopia, for example, 95 percent of the population suffers hepatitis A in childhood. The vast majority of adults have already had it as children [and are therefore immune]. Here [in Kiryas Joel] you find a significant number of adults who get sick with hepatitis A."

In the study Werzberger directed, which was published in the August 13 *New England Journal of Medicine*, 519 children received hepatitis A vaccine and 518 received a placebo. After 21 days, 34 placebo recipients developed hepatitis A. None of the vaccinated children did.

Werzberger is following up with a safety study. He reports that "the vaccine's safety profile so far is better than most other injections we administer." He has seen no serious adverse reactions.

The vaccine used in the Kiryas Joel community was developed by Merck Sharp & Dohme Research Laboratories in West Point, Pa. It is anticipated that the vaccine will be on the market in the United States in 1994. A representative of the company in Canada said that Canadian government approval and marketing of the vaccine "should be fairly close behind the States."

Rival pharmaceutical company SmithKline Beecham has already marketed a hepatitis vaccine in Europe, and applied in July for FDA approval in the United States.

"There is no treatment for hepatitis A," said Werzberger. "The only treatment is prevention."

The vaccine will probably be targeted initially for high-risk groups such as adults who work in day-care centres and travellers to areas where hepatitis A is widespread, said Werzberger.

"The effect is quite dramatic. It could be used to eradicate hepatitis A in communities where it has been endemic for years," says Werzberger.

Day campers at Beth Jacob Camp in Kitchener take part in a Judaic content program prepared and delivered by Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario region.

CJC delivers 'goods' to camps

TORONTO —

For the 18th consecutive year, Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario region has delivered Judaic content programs to Jewish day camps across the province.

The Congress Summer Camp Project, explained Susan Jackson, CJC director of community services and youth activities, "is part of our on-going efforts to enhance Jewish life in small communities. In Toronto, it's a way of giving camps access to Judaica from a body rich in resources."

Randie Cartman, CJC's 1992 Summer Camp Project co-ordinator, said the programs were put together with the aim of both educating and entertaining. Most of the campers, aged 2½ to 14, already have some knowledge of Judaism and Zionism.

The goal of the CJC program, continued Cartman, "is to educate and create understanding of Jewish culture and traditions by means of interactive programs including song and dance, arts and crafts, storytelling, and games — all in camp style. The storytelling, which is fast paced, includes the use of props and pictures. Camper participation is emphasized.

The Montreal-born Cartman, who grew up in Sudbury, came to work for Congress in February to assist in the CJC's High School Outreach Education Program for youngsters living in small communities. She was a participant in this program in the '80s.

When she began to work in May on the summer camp project, Cartman contacted camps and communal workers to ask what they wanted in terms of Jewish content programming. She sent them prepared material, and then scheduled a series of visits to the camps to present the programs.

In her three to four visits to each camp, she presented programs on biblical heroes, Israel, Jewish festivals and Shabbat. Also taking part in some of the camp visits were CJC staffers and volunteers including Chana Steinberg, Tommy Stopnicki, Jonathan Burns, and Talila Conen.

Camps serviced included Jewish community centre camps in Windsor, London, Hamilton and Toronto, Beth Jacob in Kitchener, and Kidsworld in Toronto.

Looking back at her summer's work, Cartman, a York University graduate in sociology and race relations, commented: "I found many of the youngsters very quick to pick up on certain ideas and themes. I ascertained this by their questions — some of which really surprised me."

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Officer Spivak's proud to serve as one of Metro Toronto's 'finest'

By RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

So what's a nice Jewish girl like Shari Spivak doing with a service revolver on one hip and a nightstick on the other?

Upholding the Metro police force's motto of serving and protecting the public, that's what.

It's not a profession very many Jewish women (or men, for that matter) go into, but Spivak fairly shines with pride when she talks about being a uniformed police officer on the Metro force.

"It was intimidating at first, but I love it," says Spivak, a 27-year-old Montreal native who joined the force in 1990. "The police force is still pretty much male dominated. But there are a lot of advantages to being a woman. Many people would rather talk to a woman and some may hesitate to hit a female officer."

Pretty matter-of-fact talk from the 5-foot, 3-inch, 123-pound police constable.

"Look, I won't fool myself into thinking I can handle a 300-pound man who won't co-operate. I can't. And there are times I'm by myself. But so far, I've been in no bad fights."

Thanks in no small measure to Spivak's qualifications prior to signing up for cadet school's grueling training regimen.

She has a bachelor's degree from York University in psychology and physical education. "I also run the marathon," she notes. "So the running part and physical aspect of the training wasn't so hard for me."

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PC Shari Spivak

east to Bayview Avenue, Spivak rides in a patrol car, usually with a partner, and answers mostly routine calls, such as domestic spats, break and enters, disorderly conduct and assault.

All a pretty far cry, she admits, from the "very sheltered life" she experienced growing up in a comfortable, predominantly Jewish Montreal suburb.

After having worked for a year following graduation, a friend, police constable Howard Clements, who once led the Jewish section of the force's ethnic squad, persuaded her that a cop's life isn't so bad.

"I had no idea what it was like, but Howard planted it in my head."

After announcing her intentions, "my father thought it was great and my mother was pretty nervous. Now, they can't stop talking about it to their friends."

Spivak, who is single, says the only part of the job she could do without is shift work, particularly working overnight.

It isn't nine-to-five and the danger is ever-present, but Spivak isn't looking back. Except, perhaps, to tell you to keep moving along.

Hepatitis screening is common

JERUSALEM —

What has now become standard practice in Israel — the screening of pregnant women for the Hepatitis B virus — has been a regular procedure at Shaare Zedek for the last two years. It was made possible by the generosity of Joseph Kerzner of Toronto, who undertook a five-year commitment to fund this screening project.

It is estimated that 3 percent of the Israeli population carry this latent virus (in Third World countries it may be as high as 15 percent) which leads to serious liver disease later in life. Many pregnant women transmit it to the babies they are carrying, resulting in the infant being born with latent Hepatitis B. By screening the mothers and detecting those who have it, immunization is given to the baby within 24 hours of birth.

Over the past two years, of the 6,700 mothers screened, 52 were found to be carriers, so 52 babies were innoculated and saved from possible death during childhood or early adulthood.

Since the Ministry of Health was convinced by the findings and recently started vaccinating all babies born in Israel for Hepatitis B, further screening procedures were made obsolete.

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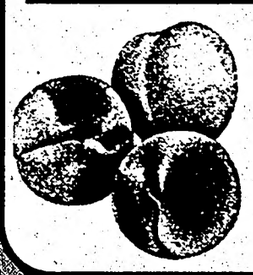

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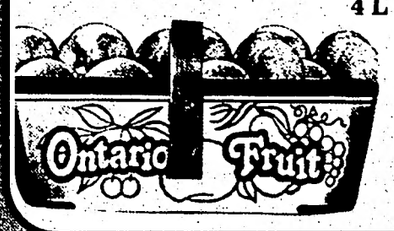

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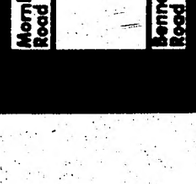

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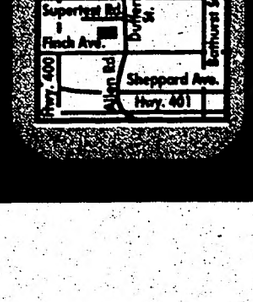

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Organizations and People

Jewish Legion branch to hold remembrance parade, service

TORONTO —

The General Wingate branch 256 of the Royal Canadian Legion will be holding its annual remembrance parade and service at Mount Sinai Cemetery on Sept. 20 at the Canadian Jewish War Veteran's cenotaph at 986 Wilson Ave., Downsview.

This yearly event is one during which Jews and all people of goodwill gather and pay homage to the 428 Jewish men and the one Jewish woman who lost their lives during active service in Canada's Armed Forces during World War II and the Korean War and whose names are engraved on pink granite plaques which are part of the cenotaph.

The service, which begins at 11 a.m., will have as its key-note speaker Major General B. J. Legge.

There will be representatives of the federal, provincial and municipal governments, Israeli Consulate, as well as the Royal Canadian Legion, the Jewish War Veterans of Canada and the American Legion. They will bring greetings and address those assembled or lay wreaths. Kaddish and Kel Male Rachamin, the memorial prayer, will be recited during the ceremony and the shofar will be sounded.

The ceremony will be preceded by a parade which will fall-in at the Denison Armouries, Dufferin Street, south of Wilson Avenue, at 9:45 a.m. This will be led by North York branch 66 Pipe Band of the Royal Canadian Legion and will include members of the General Wingate branch, the Jewish War Veterans of Canada as well as members of other veteran organizations. The salute will be taken by Major General B. J. Legge.

The General Wingate branch extends a cordial invitation to the public and particularly urges those veterans who served during World War II and Korea, other veterans and their families to participate with them during this proud, solemn occasion.

For further information call 782-5024.

Lionel Mernick, member of the General Wingate branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, carried the Israeli flag during the recent Warrior's Day parade.

CLARIFICATION:

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Getting the new location of the Country Shul ready for Rosh Hashanah are (from left) David Cohen, Harvey Weitz, Sarah Weitz, Devorah Feinstat, Yaakov Feinstat and Jerry Marcus.

Country Shul expanding to serve diverse community

BVy CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

For the High Holidays last year, three synagogues offered services and programs in the Richmond Hill area. Today, there is only one.

The Country Shul, a synagogue which was formed in May 1990 in the basement of a neighborhood home, is the only surviving synagogue.

When the other two synagogues closed their doors, the small group of families who ran the Country Shul felt that they should expand their programming to serve the needs of this diverse community, says Lise Marcus, an active worker for the Country Shul.

"We are now working with Aish Hatorah to provide services and classes from our new location in a plaza on the north east corner of Carville Road and Bathurst Street," says Sarah Weitz, whose family was one of the original members. She notes that the move was made possible "through the generosity of T & J Holdings in the person of Larry Ginsberg, who provided an empty store in the Bathurst Glen Plaza."

Marcus explains that "we have gone to great lengths to create a neighborly Jewish environment where people of all backgrounds would feel comfortable. There was an extremely positive response to the first Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur where more than 150 people attended the services. This led to lectures and some social events throughout the year."

A Sunday school run by Leslie Shapiro was organized and the school has been growing quickly. "Children feel comfortable no matter what level of Jewish involvement there is in the home." As well, says Marcus, many classes are being offered to adults, some taught by Rabbi Ahron Hoch of Aish Hatorah as well as other guest lecturers.

Different services

Membership and High Holiday tickets are inexpensive, says Marcus. "The shul's policy is that no one will be turned away due to lack of funds. As well, arrangements can be made for anyone who would like accommodation or meals in the area for any Shabbat or Holiday."

Services at the Country Shul on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur will be noticeably different from most standard synagogues, says Marcus. "They have been designed by Aish Hatorah to be stimulating and informative with explanations and play-by-play commentaries throughout the service.

"For those who would like a change of pace, the immensely popular 'Alternative Minyan' will be offered again this year. This program runs concurrent with the regular service and is designed to give people the opportunity to ask questions and examine topics of the holiday or Jewish issues in general."

Some of the special preparatory High Holiday classes include a Rosh Hashanah class on making the prayer book user-friendly on Thursday, Sept. 24 at 8 p.m. On Sunday, Oct. 1, at 6 p.m. the Country Shul will present a Yom Kippur class on guilt and how to turn "mistakes" into opportunities for growth. A special Sukkot Family Fun program for adults and children in the sukkah will be held on Oct. 18 from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at 7 Skaha Ct.

For more information on the Country Shul, call Lisa Marcus (416) 764-0832. For information about the Sunday school, call Leslie Shapiro (416) 731-5054.

NCSY Shabbaton planned

TORONTO —

The Junior NCSY Regional Shabbaton will take place from Friday Sept. 18 through Sunday, Sept. 20, at the Shaarei Shamayim Congregation, 470 Glencairn Ave. in Toronto. The cost for the whole weekend is $60 not including transportation. Students in grades 6-8 are invited to attend.

Exciting activities, says a media release, will include a special Saturday night program.

NCSY'ers from Quebec and Ontario are invired to attend.

Network planning October convention

TORONTO —

The Jewish Students' Network will be holding the Central Region Convention Oct. 2-4, at the Maple Lake Resort and Conference Centre near Parry Sound, Ontario. This is the only opportunity for Jewish students from across Ontario to meet and to share their views on relevant Jewish topics.

Confirmed speakers include Jonathan Kessler, the executive director of the Centre for Middle East Peace and Economic co-operation, Inc., Aviad Ivri, second secretary press and information of the Embassy of Israel. and Susan Jackson of Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario region.

Through seminars, workshops and social events the students and young adults will receive the opportunity to learn about present day Israel, life in small Jewish communities, and the situation Jews are faced with on campuses today.

The cost for the entire weekend is $99 including transportation, accommodation, and meals. Early birds who sign up prior to Sept. 21 pay $89. For a limited number of first year students the cost is $75. For more information please call Network at (416) 783-1165.

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Alpert takes over at JNF Toronto

By BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

Somewhere along the line--she is not sure at which particular moment--Patricia Alpert decided that what she could do for Israel and for Jews was more important than what she could put on an easel.

So Alpert, the new president of the Jewish National Fund (Toronto), gave up her career as an artist and designer and plunged into Jewish communal service as a full-time volunteer.

The vivacious president, who is a youthful 61 years of age, has never regretted her decision, even though she does miss the excitement of her one-man art shows in cities across Canada and the United States.

Alpert crossed the Rubicon when she was asked to become the president of Hadassah-WIZO, with its 4,000 members, in 1983, a post she held until 1985. She is still national recording secretary of that body.

In her JNF post, she is successor to Frances Mandell, the first woman to rise to the presidency.

Though she has made 20 trips to Israel, many of them while she was still a professional artist, she has never even set up an easel in that country.

"There is so much to do when you are on a mission in Israel that the thought of painting didn't cross my mind," she said. "But there are other dividends; Israel is a great source of nourishment and refreshment for me. The JNF has beautified the land."

She'll be on the JNF national Mega Tour to Israel with 700 others Feb. 17 to Mar. 1, and guess what? There won't be a single paint brush in her luggage.

Born in Toronto, Alpert attended Hillcrest Public School and Oakwood Collegiate, taking courses at the University of Toronto, before switching to the University of Miami where she obtained a degree in art and art history.

Patricia Alpert

She obtained a teacher's certificate in Toronto and taught senior kindergarten at Hardington and Armour Heights public schools in North York for 11 years before deciding that there was a larger world outside the classroom.

"If we have a gift, we should use it," is the simple and modest way she describes her philosophy.

Her husband, Herbert Alpert, a Toronto busiessman, a member of the JNF board, and two married daughters, Lisa Sheinbaum of Houston, and Nancy Spring, of Toronto, have always supported her community work.

Russians' fate up-in-the-air

By RANDI DRUZIN

TORONTO —

The Russian people are in an historical limbo, but their fate will be determined in the near future, says historian Morton Manilla.

"Russia is like a ship at sea without a compass," Manilla said in a recent lecture at Forest Hill Place Retirement Residence. "It's a state that's detached from its historical moorings because, for the first time in history, the Russian people have no sense of fulfilling a destiny.

"Czarist Russia represented the national consciousness of the Eastern Orthodox Church," he explained, "and the Russian people's purpose during that era was to spread their brand of Christianity throughout the world. Similarly, under Lenin and his sucessors, the Russian people's purpose was to spread communism throughout the world."

Today, the Russian people have no particular destiny to fulfil, no sacred mission to accomplish, said Manilla, so it remains to be seen what "the new idea of Russia" will be.

According to Manilla there is currently a struggle in Russia between those, like Boris Yeltsin, who want the nation to become a western-style democracy, and those like members of the nationalist Russian movement such as Pamyat, who want to resurrect the past.

The ideological struggle is taking place against a backdrop of extreme economical turmoil which, Manilla said, will prompt Russians to either move forward or backward in history.

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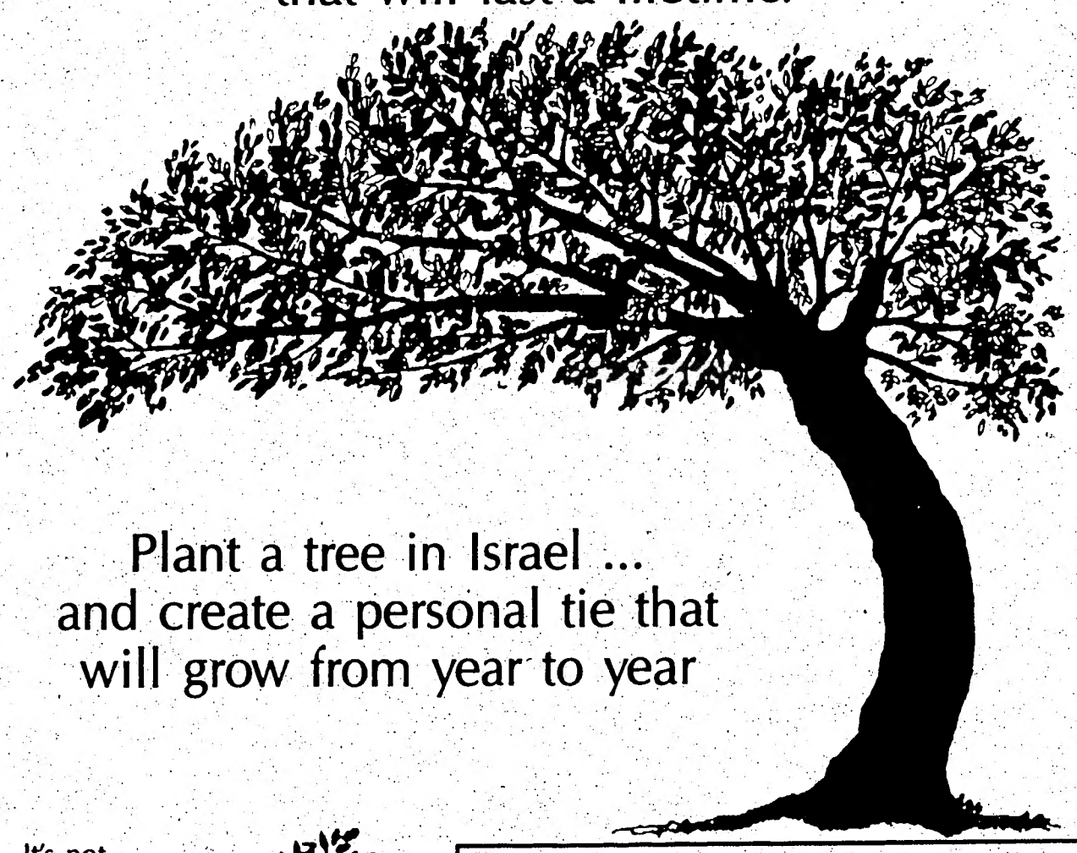

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Organizations and People

Catholics honored for rescuing Polish Jews

By RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Tears and sobs punctuated the moving ceremony. But it was a happy occasion for Stefan Tyrcz and his sister-in-law, Apolonia Tyrcz, who last week entered the rarefied echelons of Righteous Among the Nations.

The Tyrczes, both Catholics, were awarded specially-struck medals and certificates from the State of Israel for having helped rescue nine Jews from certain death in Poland during World War II.

Awarded medals posthumously were Stefan's parents, Sebastian and Anna Tyrcz, and his brother Michal, Apolonia's late husband.

Joining the honorees were their children and grandchildren. Stefan Tyrcz, now 73, lives in Toronto, while Apolonia Trycz, 82, makes her home in Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont.

Three of the surviving rescued were also on hand for the emotionally-charged ceremony, held at Israel's downtown consulate and presided over by the newly-arrived consul general in Toronto, Dror Zeigerman.

From April, 1943, to September, 1944, the Tyrczes hid nine Jews near the town of Zborow in southeastern Poland, a section of the country that had been ceded to the Ukraine under the Hitler-Stalin pact but was later overrun by Nazi Germany.

It all started when Leon Kronisch, a well-to-do grain merchant, contacted his friend, Sebastien Tyrcz, a sharecropper, about hiding members of the Kronisch family from the Nazis.

Just as the Germans began liquidating Zborow's Jewish ghetto, the elder Tyrcz agreed to the dangerous plan, aided by his wife, two sons and daughter-in-law. He helped smuggle from the ghetto some of the younger Jewish girls, who were dressed as Polish peasants.

For the next 18 months, the Polish family hid the nine Jews, some of them young children, atop their grain silo and later, in a pit dug for storing potatoes. Despite the meager war rations of the day, the Tyrczes managed every day to spirit soup, black bread and milk to their charges. A rare luxury delicacy were perogies.

The only pastime for the hidden was reading the Polish newspapers used to wrap the food, as well as reading and re-reading a few Polish books.

"We lived in fear every day," said Lucy Margules, 62, daughter of the late Leon Kronish. "It was a small hiding place and straw for beds. We couldn't even stand up. When one wanted to turn over, we all had to," said Margules, who lives in Brooklyn, N.Y.

She said the nine were almost discovered once when a neighbor heard voices and accused the Tyrcz family of hiding Jews. That's when they moved to a pit that had been dug out to store potatoes. Small air-holes in wooden boards covering the hole allowed the nine to breath.

Margules attended the award ceremony with her sister, Miriam Kunofsky of Waterbury, Conn. and cousin Lena Adler of Manhattan. All wept tears of joy at seeing their saviors being honored by Israel.

Had the Tyrczes been discovered to be sheltering Jews, the entire clan, along with those in hiding, would have been executed on the spot, Margules said.

After the war, Kronisch helped bring Stefan Tyrcz to Canada. Tyrcz's first job in this country was as a janitor at Canadian Jewish Congress, when CJC was on Beverly Street in downtown Toronto.

Joel Dimitry, chairman of the Canadian Society for Yad Vashem (left) and Dror Zeigerman, Israel's new consul general in Toronto (right) flank Polish Catholics Apolonia Tyrcz and Stefan Tyrcz, who received Righteous Among the Nations status from the State of Israel for their role in helping rescue nine Jews during World War II. [Alron photo]

Almost two years ago, the four surviving members of those in hiding contacted Yad Vashem in Jerusalem to inquire about awarding the Tyrczes Righteous Among the Nations status, bestowed on gentiles who risked their lives to hide Jews during the war.

The Tyrczes join only about 50 Righteous Among the Nations who now live in Canada and roughly 5,000 worldwide. All have their names inscribed on Yad Vashem's Righteous Honor Wall and many have planted trees along the Avenue of the Righteous.

Asked why his family performed the heroic deed, Stefan Tyrcz told *The CJN:* "We were good friends. We understood the danger but we did it anyway."

Remarked Apolonia Tyrcz, "If you didn't live through it, you can't believe it."

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Swimmers finish strong in Maccabi Games

By PAUL LUNGEN

David Steiner

TORONTO —

Led by a strong performance by the swimming team, Toronto's contingent at the recently-concluded North American Maccabi Youth Games in Baltimore, Md. came up with its best performance ever.

Toronto's freestylers, butterfly swimmers and backstroking athletes came home with 35 medals, including a number of relay medals shared with athletes from other cities.

In addition to the athletic accomplishments, the teenage sportsmen, aged 13-16, got to know their counterparts from across Canada and the United States, as well as from Mexico, Venezuela, Britain, Australia and Israel, said Harold Cipin, head of the Toronto delegation.

More than 2,600 youngsters were in Baltimore for the games, including 87 from Toronto and smaller contingents from Montreal, Ottawa, Windsor and Edmonton, Cipin said.

Eva Karpati, assistant director of fitness and recreation at the north branch of the Jewish Community Centre, served as team captain, he added.

In the pool, Samantha Emer led the way with eight medals, including a gold in the 4-by-50-yard coed relay, a medal she shared with Jayme Gordon, Andrea Pivetta and Elliot Scherer. She also earned an individual gold in the 100-yard butterfly.

Emer's four silver medals were in the 100-yard freestyle, 200-yard individual medley, 50-yard freestyle and 200-yard butterfly. She captured two bronzes in 100-yard backstroke and 200-yard freestyle.

David Steiner dominated the pool in boys' freestyle events, garnering golds in the 200-yard and 100-yard events as well as in the 50-yard sprint. He added to his total with a silver in 100-yard butterfly and three bronzes in the 500-yard freestyle, the 4-by-50 coed individual medley relay and the 4-by-50 freestyle relay.

Jayme Gordon earned two gold, one silver and a bronze, while Scherer brought home three golds. Other multiple medal winners were Doron Fishman with two gold, Avi Mednick with a gold and a silver, Elise Levinoff with two bronze, and Jennifer Pivetta with two bronze.

Jennifer's sister, Andrea, brought home one gold, while Jason Singer and David Strahl each swam for gold and Leor Shavel and Zachary Vaile earned a bronze each.

The swimming team was coached by Lea Breschneider and Perry Silverman.

In softball, the boys' team coached by David Finkler and Bob Cohen was limited to a silver medal after winning gold in the 1986, '88 and '90 games. They dropped a 14-5 decision to a strong team from Los Angeles in the one-game final, after beating teams from Baltimore, Wilkes-Barre, Penn. and San Francisco to advance to the championship match.

In girls' softball, Toronto relied on defence and the hot pitching of Julie Brooks, the tournament MVP, to get to the final, only to be shutout by Los Angeles, 5-0. The girls' team, coached by Lou Silver, Chuck Cohen and Lance Gitter, beat Detroit, Baltimore and Chicago to advance to the final. It was the first time that girls softball was included as a medal sport in the games.

In basketball, the boys' team coached by Ted Badner and Steve Landau lost to Wayne, NJ, in the semi-finals and finished out of the medal hunt. They had been undefeated to that point but shot five for 22 from the foul line before losing by an eight-point margin.

The girls' team, coached by Sy Herling and Mark Lichtblau, went 2-1 in the preliminary round and lost in the bronze medal game by an eight-point margin.

In track and field, coach Gord Garshowitz saw Harley Gold do as well as his name, finishing first in the 400-yard run. Amanda Rose won a bronze in long jump, while Gold teamed up with Dan Marigold, Eli Schemel and Darryl Firstin to win a silver medal in the 4-by-100-yard relay.

Ira Price teamed with a partner from Los Angeles to win a gold medal in racquetball doubles, while Andrew Niskir of London, Ont., won bronze in the 14-and-under tennis tournament.

Tennis coach Alan Racko saw Sabrina Segal lose only one match and take away a consolation trophy in girls' competition.

Cipin said that 14 coaches and chaperones accompanied the team, as did a good number of parents.

The games were opened with a grand march-in of athletes, a spectacular laser show and a torch-lighting ceremony before a sold-out crowd of 12,000 at the Baltimore Arena, Cipin said.

At the closing ceremonies, held at the campus of the University of Maryland at Baltimore, special tribute was paid to the 11 Israeli athletes killed at the Munich Olympic Games in 1972.

Cipin paid tribute to the Maccabi athletes, who showed dedication and fortitude in contending with sweltering 95 degree heat and oppressive humidity.

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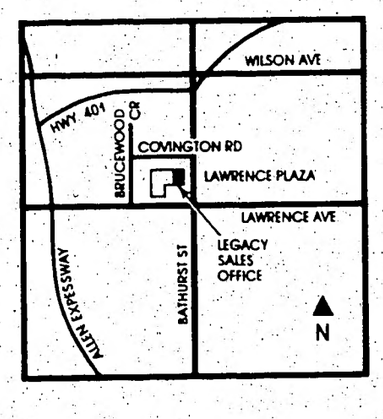

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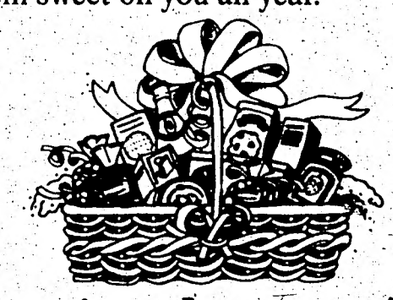

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What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

DEADLINE REMINDER

The deadline for What's New and About People is Thursday, two weeks prior to publication date (i.e. Thursday, Sept. 17, is deadline for Oct. 1 issue and Thursday, Sept. 24 is deadline for Oct. 8 issue). I am at my desk on Thursdays only to receive your calls and sort my mail.

Thursday, Sept. 17

WOMEN'S LUNCH & LEARN PROGRAM

Continuing last year's tradition, the successful Women's Lunch and Learn program of Aish HaTorah is having its kick-off session titled Understanding Why We Are Standing: Making the Holidays More Meaningful. It will be held in a private home and the cost of the lunch is $8. Call **Ann** at 636-7530 for more information.

Friday, Sept. 18

AN AFTERNOON OF SONGS

Cantor Albert Feldman will be presenting Hebrew, cantorial, Jewish and English songs at 2 p.m. at Lincoln Place, 429 Walmer Rd.

Saturday, Sept. 19

SELICHOT WEEKEND

The Nicholas M. & Hedy J. Munk Annual Lectures at Beth Tzedec Congregation present a Selichot Weekend with **Rabbi Irwin Witty**, educator/rabbi/lecturer, beginning at 10 p.m. Saturday with a pre-Selichot coffee reception followed at 10:45 with a public lecture entitled Forgiving to Forget?, and then midnight services.

On Sunday, at the Men's Club breakfast, Rabbi Witty will speak on Upbeat and Offbeat: Jewish Encounters and Customs. Breakfast (nominal charge) is at 9:30, lecture at 10. The public is invited and admission is free.

ISRAEL IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Adath Israel Congregation is holding the 5th annual Sidney S. Colt Memorial Lecture at 9:30 p.m. with guest speaker **Prof. Gabriel Ben-Dor**, scholar/lecturer/author, whose topic will be Israel in the Middle East. Currently a visiting professor at York University, Prof. Ben-Dor is the former rector of Haifa University and president of the Israel Political Science Association.

The public is invited. A question and answer period will follow.

ECHOES FROM HEAVEN

Echoes From Heaven — Speaking to God and Man Through Words and Music is the theme of the pre-Selichot program presented by Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue Continuing Education Committee in conjunction with the Religious Committee. The social hour and program, which features **Rabbi Joseph Kelman, Rabbi Barry Schneider** and **Cantor Louis Danto** is at 9:30 p.m. Selichot services at midnight will be conducted by Rabbi Kelman and Cantor Danto with the synagogue choir.

Everyone is welcome. For information, call 633-3838.

KEHILLA AHAVAD HESED

At 9:30 a.m. Kehilla Ahavad Hesed, 788 Marlee Ave., is featuring **Miriam Wyman**, Women's Sector delegate to United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, who will speak on Flying Down to Rio — A Jewish Feminist at the Earth Summit.

In the evening, at 8:30, there's a pot-luck supper (call 733-9848) followed by the program at 9:30 entitled Healing the Earth, Healing Ourselves with speakers **Rabbi Lawrence Troster, Miriam Wyman** and **Shawn Zevit**, actor and facilitator.

Sunday, Sept. 20

MIKVAH OPEN HOUSE

The Toronto Community Mikveh is holding an open house beginning with a lesson on mikvah and a tour for both men and women at 7:30 p.m. Men who wish may immerse individually beginning at 8 p.m. under the supervision of **Rabbi Daniel Komito-Gottlieb**. Women's immersions begin at 9 p.m. under the supervision of **Rabbi Elyse Goldstein**.

The Toronto Community Mikvah is jointly run by the Reform, Conservative and Reconstructionist movements. It is located in the Terrace Gardens building, 3705 Bathurst St. (just south of Wilson). For more information, call 660-4371.

DYSAUTONOMIA ANNUAL TEA

Toronto/Tikvah chapters, Dysautonomia Foundation Inc., annual fundraising tea takes place from 1-5 p.m. at the home of **Dorothy Black**. All members and friends are welcome to join in this afternoon of music and tea. All proceeds go to medical research in familial dysautonomia, a rare genetic disease primarily affecting Jewish children of Ashkenazi descent.

Foundation co-presidents are **Tova Israel** and **Bertha Lapidus**. For further information, contact tea convenors **Dena Weiman** at 449-3314 or **Hildi Weiman** at 944-9519.

SHAAREI TEFILLAH SISTERHOOD

Shaarei Tefillah Sisterhood's opening breakfast meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. at the synagogue. Guest artist is singer **Ariella Goldberg** (with keyboard accompanist).

PRE-WAR WARSAW

Prof. Eugene Orenstein of McGill University will deliver a lecture entitled Pre-War Warsaw, World Centre of Yiddish, on the 50th anniversary of the destruction of the Warsaw Jewish community, at 2 p.m. at Workmen's Circle, 471 Lawrence Ave. W. Admission is $3. Lecture is sponsored by the Yiddish Culture Council.

MINYANAIRES BREAKFAST

At the recent annual Beth Torah Minyanaires Breakfast, four couples were extended special recognition for their exemplary support of the synagogue. From left are Isaac (Jacques) and Linda Lallouz, Morris and Rose Herling, Simon and Frieda Traub, and Mark and Esther Goldenberg. [Mollie Rothman photo].

ANNUAL BOND BRUNCH

Zaglembier Society's annual State of Israel Bonds brunch takes place noon at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave.

PNAI MEETING

Max Goody will speak on Is Israel All That We Expected of Her? at the PNAI (Parents of North American Israelis) meeting at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Synagogue at 8 p.m.

GARAGE AND BAKE SALE

Markham-Unionville Chapter, B'nai Brith Women, is sponsoring its 8th annual garage and bake sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 273 Main St., Unionville. Everyone is welcome.

CONGREGATION KESHET SHALOM

Congregation Keshet Shalom's annual general meeting takes place from 2-5 p.m. 360 Bloor St. E. For information, call 925-1408.

CHILDREN'S FASHIONS

A correction! Please note that the date of the BAYT (Beth Avraham Yoseph of Toronto) Sisterhood opening tea-time meeting featuring children's fashions is Sunday, Sept. 20, from 2-4 p.m. Admission is $5 (women only) at BAYT Sisterhood Hall, 613 Clark Ave. W. Thornhill. To RSVP, call the Sisterhood Hotline, 771-6711 or **Lisa** at 882-0624.

Monday, Sept. 21

CHIEF CANTOR OF IDF IN CONCERT

The United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, Ontario Region, announces that world-renowned **Lt. Col. Arie Braun**, chief cantor of the Israel Defence Force, will perform in concert at 8 p.m. at Beth Tzedec Congregation. Tickets are available at all Conservative synagogues or at the regional office at 738-1717.

RACIAL CONFLICT IN THE '90S

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Sisterhood invites you to a general meeting with guest speaker **Hugh Innis**, professor, Faculty of Arts, Ryerson, who will discuss Racial Conflict in the Nineties. The time is 8 p.m. at the synagogue. Hostess is **Ruth Fox**. Admission is $2 members, $3 guests. Please bring kosher, non-perishable food for the High Holiday/Sukkot Food Drive.

SHA'ARON CHAPTER BBW/C

Sha'aron chapter, B'nai Brith Women, is seeking new members, 39 plus. Come participate in the opening general meeting at Beth Tikvah Synagogue at 8:15 p.m. when a guest speaker will speak on Personal Safety for Women.

FAMILIES OF GAYS & LESBIANS

The Jewish Support Group for Families of Gays and Lesbians will meet at Holy Blossom Temple at 7:30 p.m. Call in confidence to **Ruth** at 763-9111.

SIMCHA CHAPTER HADASSAH-WIZO

Simcha chapter, Hadassah-WIZO presents media personality **Steve Paikin** at the new members' meeting at 8 p.m. The chapter is primarily made up of women in the Thornhill area between the ages 30-40. Any women interested in meeting this dynamic, friendly group are invited to attend. Call **Randi Goldlist** at 886-2176 for more information.

LA LECHE LEAGUE

La Leche League of North Bathurst presents The Art of Breastfeeding, the third in a series of four monthly meetings. Discussion will focus on proper positioning of the baby, overcoming breastfeeding difficulties, and adjusting to the role of a new mother. Meetings are open to pregnant or nursing mothers and babies are welcome. The time is 8 p.m. at 55 Rosedale Heights, Thornhill. For futher information, phone **Joyce** at 881-8779 or **Robin** at 886-8364 or **Karen** at 221-7002 or **Risa** at 738-8870.

Tuesday, Sept. 22

ISSUES OF INTERMARRIAGE

The Association for Jewish Continuity, B'nai Brith Women of Canada, and Shaarei Shomayim Congregation Adult Education Committee invite the public to a panel discussion on the topic Are the Jews an Endangered Species? — Confronting the Issues of Intermarriage. Panelists are **Leon King**, past president, Canadian Council of Reform Judaism; **Prof. Arthur Kruger**, director, OISE; **Edmond Y. Lipsitz**, former executive-director, Canadian Jewish Congress. Moderator is **Lucille Bensky**, past president, B'nai Brith Women of Canada.

The time is 8 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue.

SPEAKERS FORUM SERIES

EnRoute Universal Speakers Forum luncheon series for senior business executives is presenting **Amabassador William Brown**, former U.S. ambassador to Israel, who will speak on The Rabin Government and Prospects for Peace in the Middle East. Luncheon takes place in the Grand Ballroom of the Sheraton Centre Hotel. To reserve your corporate table, call **Jim Keating** at 926-7595.

NORTHERN LIGHTS CHAPTER

Northern Lights chapter of B'nai Brith Women of Canada will hold its first program meeting of the year at 8 p.m. in Newmarket. The evening will feature a discussion on the Jewish High Holidays, of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Regular meetings are scheduled the fourth Tuesday of every month. The chapter serves northern York Region including Newmarket, Aurora, Keswick and Bradford. For further information, contact **Renee Flannery** at (416) 853-5533.

LEUKEMIA RESEARCH FUND

The opening meeting of Leukemia Research Fund takes place at 8 p.m. at North York Centennial Library, 578 Finch Ave. W. Guest speaker will by **Judy Action**, author of *Letters to Erica: The Journey Home*. Those who wish may purchase a book personally autographed by the author, that evening. For further information, call the Fund office at 638-8522.

ELAN CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP NIGHT

Looking for a Jewish women's group to get involved in? Elan chapter of B'nai Brith Women invites you to a Membership Night at 8 p.m. at Thornhill Community Centre. Come and hear **Beryl Gilbertson** present a program on handwriting analysis called Slips of the Pen. For further information, call **Charna** at 223-2137 or **Marlene** at 731-9120.

Wednesday, Sept. 23

JEWISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Pirkei Avot advises "Know From Where You've Come." The Jewish Genealogical Society of Canada may help you in this quest at a beginners workshop that may help you determine your ancestry as far back as the 18th century. It takes place at 7:30 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue. There is no charge for members. Non-members are invited to join with their entry fee. For information, call **Selma** at 223-0192.

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INSTITUTE FOR JEWISH LEARNING

The Institute for Jewish Learning will be holding a Taste of Chevra, a sample session of the Chevra courses in adult Jewish education which concentrates on basic Jewish literacy through text analysis and group discussion. The time is 7 p.m. at the Jewish Community Centre North Y Branch, 4588 Bathurst St. For information/RSVP, call **Mahra Hart** at 636-1880.

BONDS DINNER DANCE

The Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue Israel Bonds dinner dance honoring **Ruth and Marvin Fox** is set for 6 p.m. at the synagogue.

MEMBERSHIP EVENING

Chaverim chapter, B'nai Brith Women is planning a membership evening of Women's Self-Defence (WEN-DO). This is a Thornhill, Richmond Hill, north Metro Toronto chapter. You are invited to join. For more information, call **Ruth** at 731-5482.

POEMS JUST FOR FUN

Linda Stitt will be holding Poems Just for Fun at 2 p.m. at Forest Hill Place, 645 Castlefield Ave. This event is open to the community at no charge. For reservations or further details, contact **Marlene White** at 785-1511 or 445-7555.

Thursday, Sept. 24

THE HOLY LAND THEN AND NOW

Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue is presenting a photographic exhibit, The Holy Land Then and Now, on view Sept. 20-Oct. 22. The exhibit, which comes from Harvard University Semitic Museum, consists of 47 photographs taken in the Holy Land in the 19th century, along with recent photographs taken by American photographer **Daniel Tassel** at the same locations. Accompanying the photographs is a display of artifacts from excavations in the Holy land. During the show, Shaarei Shomayim members are displaying their own photographs taken in Israel.

In conjunction with the exhibit, Shaarei Shomayim is hosting a series of five public lectures beginning at 8 p.m. with An Archeological Walking Tour of Jerusalem by **Nitza Rosovsky** of the Harvard Semitic Museum. There is also an opening event at 7 p.m. at which Dr. Tassel will speak.

And What Else Is New...

SHOWCASE EXHIBIT

The Beth Tikvah Artists of Beth Tikvah Synagogue are sponsoring a showcase exhibit Sept. 21-Oct. 26 at the synagogue. The exhibit is entitled The Torah: The Path to Jewish Life — From Birth Through Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Weddings, Jewish Holidays and Other Stepping Stones in Your Life — The Torah is Your Beacon. The artworks by Israeli-born **Karny Vorona** offer illuminated portions of the Torah in an artistic expression. The public is cordially invited.

KOLEL SINGLES STUDY PROGRAM

Kolel: A Centre for Liberal Jewish Learning invites singles, ages 25-40, to participate in an evening of in-depth Judaic study each month on the first Sunday evening at the Zionist Centre, 788 Marlee Ave. The format is a presentation by a rabbi or Jewish educator followed by small study groups exploring traditional texts in the light of modern egalitarian sensitivities. The evening ends with refreshments and time to socialize. For a complete schedule, call 660-3154.

GROUP FOR INCEST SURVIVORS

Jewish Family & Child Service will be conducting a group for women who are incest survivors. For further information, call JF & CS at 638-7800 and ask for **Teri Kay**, ext. 267, or **Gail Solish**, ext. 219.

REUBEN & HELENE DENNIS MUSEUM

The exhibit, Adorning the Torah, continues at the Beth Tzedec Reuben and Helene Dennis Museum until Oct. 15. Aleph Bet on Paper: Three Artists opened Sept. 13 and will run to Oct. 30. This is the work of three Toronto artists showing how the aleph bet can be taken beyond the written word to become a pure art form.

Museum hours are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Also by appointment. Tours are welcome. Call 781-3511 and ask for the Museum.

KOSHER CANDY TREES

Jordana-Yamit chapter of Hadassah-WIZO is selling candy trees for Rosh Hashanah at $12 each. Free delivery is included. Call **Janet** at 631-0724 or **Margi** at 731-4227.

JF & CS FALL WORKSHOPS

Jewish Family & Child Service is offering the following fall workshops: Living With Teens—communication, expectations, roles and rules for surviving the teenage years (begins Oct. 1); One Marriage-Two Religions—for engaged/married couples from different religions (begins Nov. 2); Single Parent Challenge: Finding a Balance Between Parenthood and Personhood—discipline, time management and building a new life (begins Oct. 26).

For more information concerning fees and registration, call **Pat Lieberman** at 638-7800.

for seniors

The Jewish Community Centre North Y Branch **Senior Adult Services** is holding a luncheon Tuesday, Sept. 22, with entertainment by **George Frank**. Tickets are $4.50 JCC members, $5 non-members and are on sale in the Senior Lounge. Call **Teme Kernerman** at 636-1880 for information.

Also at the JCC North Y Branch, there's international folkdancing for seniors with **Teme Kernerman** and **Millie Cass** on Wednesdays 10 a.m. to noon, starting Sept. 23. Free to members. For information, call **Elaine Burke** at 636-1880, ext. 273 or Teme Kernerman, ext. 364.

Aluma Canadian Israeli Club will be meeting Monday, Sept. 21, for an evening of games and music. The time is 7 p.m. at 15 Hove St. Also, on Thursday, Oct. 15, in the party room at 15 Hove St., Aluma will celebrate the four holidays (Sukkot) with a dance party, with music with **Boris Naiman**. Tickets (no reservations) are $5 members, $7 non-members, to be purchased at Aluma meetings. For information, call 782-9432 or 635-5604.

LZA Seniors Club takes registration for its Miami trips Wednesday mornings from 10 to noon at the Borochov Cultural Centre, 272 Codsell Ave. The Discussion Group continues Tuesday mornings at 10 and the Folkdancing Group gets together Tuesdays at 1 p.m. A Simchat Torah dance is being planned for Tuesday, Oct. 20.

The Wagman Centre Self-Help Widows Group, 55 years of age and over, meets every other Sunday to help each other deal with mourning, adjust to loss, share experiences and make new friends. The next meeting is Sept. 20 from 1-2:30 p.m. in the Wagman Centre board room, 55 Ameer Ave. Group co-ordinator is **Toby Warsh**. For more information, call **Paula David** at 789-5131, ext. 2271.

Here's a list of courses offered at the JCC Bloor Y Branch with the help of the Toronto Board of Continuing Education — Mondays, knitting and bridge; Tuesdays, exercise and current events; Wednesdays, folkdancing; Thursdays, exercise. The fall season begins Monday, Sept. 21. For more information, call **Luni** at 924-6211.

Earl Bales Seniors' Club upcoming events include a Saturday dance Sept. 19 from 7-10 p.m.; Sunday dance Oct. 4 from 7:30-10:30 p.m.; annual bazaar, Sunday, Sept. 20, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; the movie *Three Fugitives* Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2 p.m.; local day trips for members ($5); 5-pin bowling starting soon. Call 636-7856 for information.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club announces the discussion group with **Harriet Sharkey** resumes Wednesday, Sept. 23, at 1 p.m.; trip to Shaw Festival to see *Pygmalion* Oct. 28; Israel Purim trip March 1-22; information on Florida trips forthcoming shortly; ongoing programs sponsored by North York Board of Education resume the week of Sept. 21. For information on programs and trips, call **Lena** at 785-5773 or **Ruth** at 224-5923. Remember the Golden Book to mark special occasions. Your donations go to Laniado Hospital in Israel. Call **Dorothy Bloomfield** at 787-1526.

At the **Wagman Centre**— The Members' Continuing Education Committe, in co-operation with North York Board of Education, is offering several continuing education courses, starting the week of Sept. 21. Call 789-5131, ext. 2267 for details. A social afternoon is arranged Sunday, Sept. 20, at 1:30. The Heritage Players with **Nathan Garnick** presents *Yiddish Alive in Israel*, a musical review in Yiddish, English and Hebrew, Tuesday, Sept. 22, at 7:30 p.m. A trip to Stratford to see *HMS Pinafore* is set for Thursday, Oct. 1. For information, call **Chyla Talesnick** at 789-5131, ext. 2274.

Sunshine Travel Group 50 Plus is having a fall color tour to Niagara, lunch at Oban Inn, Wednesday, Sept. 23; Kitchener Octoberfest, buffet, Thursday, Oct. 15; Stage West to see *The Best Little Whore House in Texas*, buffet Nov. 25; registration is now open for trip to Miami leaving Jan. 12 for four, six, seven and eight weeks at the Colonnial Inn. For information, call **Sylvia** at 730-0503.

Club Hadar meets every Monday and Thursday 1-4 p.m. at Garnet A. Williams Centre, Meeting Room 2, 501 Clark Ave. W., Thornhill. For information, call **Viola Landman** at 886-2625.

Young at Heart Seniors is having a trip to Florida at the Marco Polo Hotel for one or two months or whatever you want, efficiency and non-efficiency. Everyone is welcome. Call **Helen** at 635-6343.

Sunrise Group upcoming trips include— Pines Hotel in the Catskills Nov. 2-6; Orlando Nov. 16-29; Miami for one or two months at Casablanca, Sherry Frontenac or Lombardy Hotels. Call **Esther** at 932-2534.

Travel Club has arranged three days in Akron, Ohio, leaving Oct. 10; a trip to Israel for two weeks Nov. 17 plus three days in Rome. For details, call **Bernice** at 633-7034 or **Edith** at 638-3652.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

La'Briyut Wellness Centre health lecture series presents a session on Flu Vaccine Thursday, Sept. 17, at 1:30 p.m.

A High Holiday concert with **Michael Khinkis** takes place Wednesday, Sept. 23, at 1:30 p.m. Members $3, non-members $4.

Energize your Sundays while you dance with **Millie Cass** from 11 a.m. to noon. Sept. 20 is free and Oct. 4 and 18 are $1 members, $1.50 non-members.

Lifelong Learning Institute's Music Appreciation program presents A Gut Yontef, a Gut Yore (A good holiday, a good year) with **Jenny Eisenstein** Monday, Sept. 21, at 1:30 p.m. Members $1, non-members $2.

Come, Travel Through Central and South America with sketches by multi-media award-winning artist **Tutzi Seguin** Wednesday, Sept. 23, 1:30 p.m. No charge. Everyone welcome.

V.I.S.I.T. (Volunteers In Support In Touch) and Dial-A-Friend — There is no need to feel alone or isolated. A daily reassuring telephone call or a friendly social visit is available to any older adult in the community. This program is provided at no cost. Experienced volunteers are able to communicate in a variety of languages including Yiddish, Russian and English. For further information, contact **Judi Egelnick** at 225-2112.

Etrog, an Israeli cultural club for Hebrew speaking older adults, meets every Wednesday at 7 p.m. A singalong is planned for Sept. 23. For information, call **Anna** at 225-2112.

If you have a family member, friend or neighbor who is interested in the Centre, call **Helen Issenberg** at 225-2112. Service is provided in English, Yiddish and Hebrew.

If you like to sing Hebrew songs, join the new choir. It meets every Friday at 1 p.m. For further information, call **Anna** at 225-2112.

The Friendship Circle, for people 55 and over and living alone, meets at the Centre every other Thursday at 7 p.m. On Sept. 17 the first-run movie *Prince of Tides* will be screened. Meetings are for Circle members only. The fee is $1.

About People

EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR

Beth Tikvah Synagogue has announced that **Judy Markose** will serve as educational director for the academic year 1992/93.

With a BA with honors from Barnard College of Columbia University and a masters degree in social work, Markose is currently a doctoral degree candidate in educational administration at OISE. Aside from her considerable educational credentials, she is best known as a former director of Camp Ramah in Canada 1984-89.

Markose will combine her continued studies with her new position and with her responsibilities at home. She and her husband **Rabbi Howard Markose**, spiritual leader of Shaar Shalom Synagogue in Thornhill, have three children.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

A tribute dinner was held recently by the Business and Professional chapter of Toronto ORT honoring Dr. Lesley S. Corrin for having established a perpetual scholarship fund in her name for female students pursuing non-traditional careers. From left are hostess Edith Penturn, co-convenors Kathleen Crook and Susan Lewis, and honoree Dr. Lesley S. Corrin.

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Organizations and People

Marlene and Henry Goldbach hosted a reception at their home in honor of Allan Grossman, 1992 Raoul Wallenberg Yorkdale Circle Lodge honoree, in association with B'nai Brith Canada and State of Israel Bonds. The gala dinner dance will take place Oct. 22 at Beth Avraham Yoseph Synagogue. Shown from left: Allan and Janine Grossman; Michael Stollar, Marlene and Henry Goldbach.

BB, Bonds to fete Grossman

TORONTO —

State of Israel Bonds and one of Canada's largest B'nai Brith lodges are teaming up to honor a respected Toronto financial expert.

Allan Grossman will be the Bonds honoree at a gala dinner, Oct. 22, at Thornhill's Beth Avraham Yoseph of Toronto Synagogue.

Grossman, a veteran B'nai Brith member, belongs to Raoul Wallenberg-Yorkdale Circle lodge, co-sponsor of the event.

As a senior partner with the accounting firm Orenstein & Partners, Grossman regularly offers courtroom expertise for fraud and matrimonial cases. He has testified before regulatory bodies, such as the Ontario Securities Commission and published several papers on financial management for lawyers.

Like many members of his lodge, Grossman has been a tireless fundraiser for Israel.

For 15 years, Raoul Wallenberg lodge (which later amalgamated with Circle lodge) has developed an enviable track record, through its jointly sponsored dinners with State of Israel Bonds.

Michael Rosenberg, co-chairman of this year's function, estimates that his lodge has raised between $2 and $3 million every year.

"We were the only lodge that actually had a sustained annual campaign," he noted.

Event arrangements in the Bonds office are being handled by Gail Dombrofsky, who praised Grossman's "dedication and devotion to Israel."

SINGLES EVENTS

Singles Events is an advertising feauture of The Canadian Jewish News. ***Deadline is Monday, 5:00 p.m., 10 days preceding issue date.*** *For rates or to place an ad, please call Alan at 422-2528.*

Metro Toronto Singles presents:
An Evening in Yorkville
at Remy's
115 Yorkville Avenue, (east of Avenue Road)
Sunday, September 20. 8:00pm
Hors D'oeuvres served from 8-10pm. Door prize, dinner for 2 at Remy's. Cover $10.00. Call **222-7111** for information. More people have met at Metro Toronto Singles parties over the last 7 years, than at any other parties. 11704

Sharon Ganz and Associates together with **Davidman's Homowack Hotel** present:
Sukkot 1992 (Orthodox singles and families) October 11-14, October 18-21 (Simchat Torah) or October 11-21 (10 night stay). For more information call Sharon Ganz 785-0761, or Ruth Balofsky 764-5833. 11554

Metro Toronto Singles presents Niagara on the Lake, Inniskillin wine bus tour in October. Call **222-7111** for information. 11733

Pre-Rosh Hashanah Games Nite
***Games Jewish Singles Play**
Sunday, September 20. 7:30pm. Beth Torah, 47 Glenbrook (South of Lawrence, east off Dufferin). *Chutzpah, Trivial Pursuit, Scrabble, Bridge, Yuk-Yuk, Pictionary etc. Early Bird Bingo 7:30-8:00pm. Prizes. Refreshments. Admission $5.00. **24 couples have already met!!** Information: Mollie 733-3634. 11654

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An evening of **Black and White!!** Sunday, September 20, 1992, 8:00pm. Vinefera Bar & Grill (formerly Earl's) 150 Eglinton Avenue East. Dinner reservations 487-9281. Cover $10.00. Surprise performers, prizes & guest host: Brian Master/CHFI Radio.
A donation will be made to The Children's Wish Foundation. 11246

Alone for the High Holidays? We are forming a group interested in getting together for Yontif. Sonia, 771-8448. 11715

Recreational Bowling Sundays. Jewish University graduate co-ed singles 30-49. 782-5627. 11718

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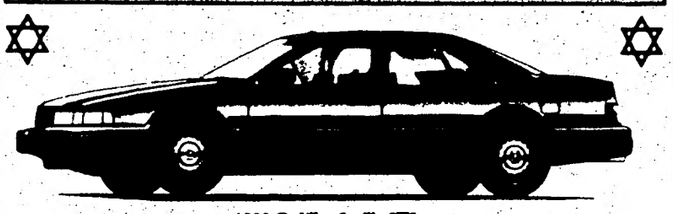

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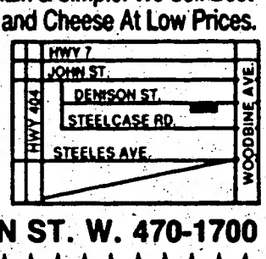

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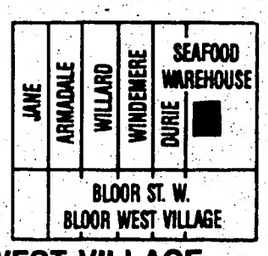

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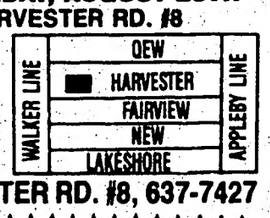

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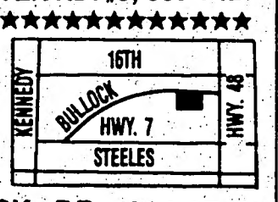

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Organizations and People

British Columbia planning a multiculturalism act

By MAURICE LUCOW

VICTORIA —

The multiculturalism branch of the British Columbia Ministry of Education is laying the groundwork for legislation to establish a multiculturalism act. The previous Social Credit government adopted a multiculturalism policy in 1990, but was voted out of office before this could become an act. Now, the NDP government wants to have a policy enshrined in an act, and possibly establish a separate ministry.

Ed Eduljee, director of the branch which is known as Multiculturalism BC, says work on developing a new policy and the legislation is well underway and a draft should be ready by the end of the year. He hopes to have it on next year's legislative agenda. The branch is based in Vancouver.

Multiculturalism BC has formed an advisory council, whose members have been appointed by cabinet through order-in-council to solicit information from the various multiculturalism groups throughout the province as to what should be in the act. The council is non-political and its chairman is a lay person, rather than a bureaucrat. Multiculturalism BC serves as the secretariat of the advisory council.

The council, accompanied by the minister, Anita Hagen, has gone out to the multicultural community for consultations and ideas, working through umbrella organizations which have dozens of ethnic groups as members, including Canadian Jewish Congress/Pacific region.

Aim of Multiculturalism BC is to develop, in partnership with the community, cross cultural understanding and "positive race relations," Eduljee told *The CJN*. It is striving for freedom from racism and discrimination based on race, culture, religious or ethnic origin and "the equal and equitable treatment of all British Columbians regardless of their origin."

Although it is working on some projects with the federal multicultural department, Eduljee said his program is strictly a B.C. initiative, addressed to the special needs of the province.

One of the main efforts is the establishment of an interministerial committee on multiculturalism to coordinate, develop and implement the government's multiculturalism policy throughout the provincial government.

For example, all government jobs are now advertised rather than being posted in government offices so that no jobs are perpetuated by the same type of people. "We wouldn't ask for 10 years of experience," he explained, "because many of the potential applicants haven't been here that long. The requirements of the job are based only on what is required to perform properly on the job. This gives everybody a chance."

Eduljee said applicants are interviewed by a mixed panel of three people — men and women — "so that the hiring process is equitable."

In dealing with hate propagation, Multiculturalism BC is working with the B.C. Human Rights Council in proposing that the spread of race hatred, in whatever form, should be dealt with as a criminal matter, under provincial laws. "We're dealing here," Eduljee said, "not necessarily with the intent but with the act of hate propagation itself." However, his division hopes to combat forms of racism before it spreads. "We try to prevent any problems before they become an actionable issue."

When a racist issue becomes actionable, it is handled by the Human Rights Council or referred directly to the attorney-general.

While preventative methods often work, Eduljee worries that "those of Nazi inclination" are so hardened in their attitude that no kind of reasoning will help or change their attitudes. I hope that anti-hate laws passed will be such that acts of violence will not find a home in our country.

"To me, violence whether physical or otherwise is violence. People don't have the right to be hurtful. One can hold opinions but does not have the right to propagate hate against others or be hurtful against others."

Through its cross cultural programs, Multiculturalism BC wants to emphasize that "we are on this earth together and that we have common goals and common values. For generations, tradition and geography have kept people apart. Now it behooves us to work together towards mutual respect and to build a society that is at peace with itself."

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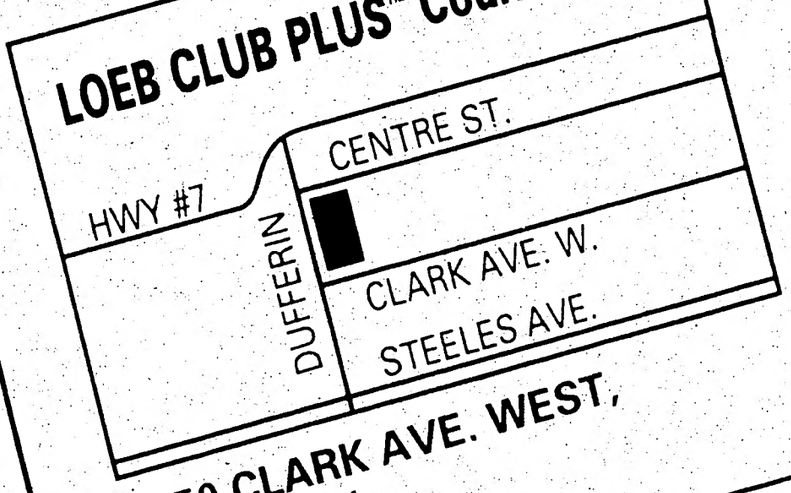

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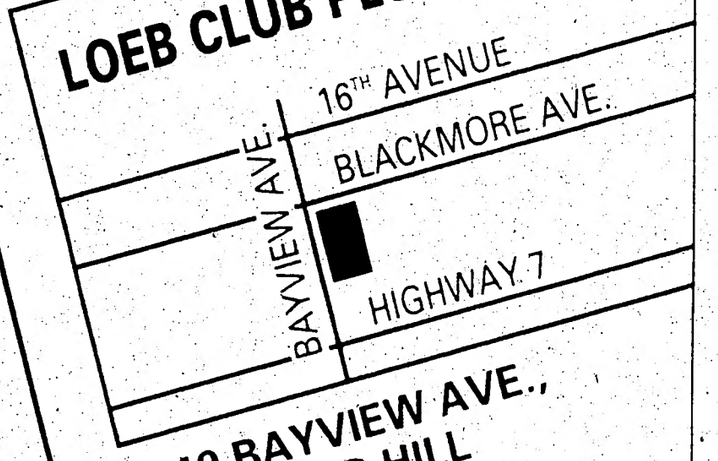

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Female pitcher catches silver at youth games

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

The Toronto Jewish community, it seems, has its own Manon Rheaume living and playing right in its own backyard.

Rheaume, hockey watchers will recall, is the female goaltender who grabbed the nation's imagination last season by playing a few minutes of major junior hockey and who has been given a tryout by the NHL's Tampa Bay Lightning.

Julie Brooks, on the other hand, is a 15-year-old standout pitcher whose game is so good she plays on the boys' fastball team at Thornlea Secondary School, where she's a Grade 11 student.

Brooks is joining the team fresh from heady competition in Baltimore where she was named tournament MVP on the way to leading the Toronto girls' team to a softball silver medal in the North American Maccabi Youth Games. The girls lost to Los Angeles, 5-0, in the gold medal game. The silver is all the more noteworthy considering it was the first time Toronto sent a girls fastpitch team to the games.

Brooks, however, is no stranger to tournament competition, having participated in the Ontario Summer Games — the provincial championships — in Scarborough the weekend before the August trip to Baltimore. Though her Newmarket Tigers rep team came up short, the competition was a good primer for the Maccabi games.

The girls she faced in Baltimore were generally a notch below the calibre she faces in the Toronto-area rep leagues, she said. "They were more like recreational league teams except the Los Angeles team, which was like a rep team and which plays together all year round."

"Julie, who pitched 90 percent of all the games, pitched her heart out," said team coach Lou Silver. Thanks to her stellar throwing and timely defence from the rest of the team, the Toronto contingent shut out the competition in four straight games, until they ran into the strong L.A. club.

Brooks is unfazed by the last game loss. Still brimming with confidence, she plans to continue the climb up the competitive fastpitch ladder that she began at age 8. She hopes to eventually land a college scholarship and, one day, pitch in international competition. — a goal that Silver would not dismiss as being beyond the realm of possibility.

Over the years, Brooks has developed a variety of effective pitches that fluster the ablest of hitters. Asked to name her strengths on the mound, Brooks points to her fastball, changeup, offspeed, curve, rise and drop balls. Her offspeed pitch, she believes, is her best.

Another elite athlete at Thornlea Secondary School is David Steiner, a 14-year-old Grade 10 student who captured seven swimming medals at the Maccabi games.

Three of those medals were gold, in the 50, 100 and 200-yard freestyle events.

Steiner, like Brooks, is no stranger to high-flight competition. Rated among Canada's top 30 freestyle swimmers in his age group, Steiner captured a bronze medal in the 100-metre freestyle event at the Ontario championships in early summer.

In Baltimore, Steiner came within 8/100ths of a second of capturing his fourth gold medal. Swimming in the 100-yard butterfly, he was ahead all the way but at the last stroke, looked up to see where his competition was. That look, he believes, cost him the stroke that was the margin of victory.

Steiner, who has been swimming competitively for six years at the North York Aquatic Club, has fond memories of the Maccabi games. "The atmosphere was really friendly and. . . you could talk to people easily. It was like a family," he said.

He has especially fond memories of the opening ceremonies, where he and an Israeli athlete traded flags and each began to wave the flag of the other.

In addition to those aspects of the games, Steiner said he "loves winning. It was great being on the podium that much. It was basically a fun meet."

Winnipeg campus project puts its campaign on hold

By MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

The Campus Project Committee, having raised over $8 million towards its target of $10 million within the local Jewish community, has taken a six-week break out of respect for the Combined Jewish Appeal campaign which began on Sept. 1.

Campus is the proposed new Jewish high school and community centre to replace the 40-year-old Joseph Wolinsky Collegiate building in north Winnipeg and the equally aged YMHA Jewish Community Centre downtown. The fundraising campaign began in earnest in April.

In addition to $10 million from the community, the Campus Committee is hoping to raise $4 million from governments and $2 million each from sale of properties, expatriate Winnipeggers and foundations.

The Jewish Foundation of Manitoba has already committed $1 million to the project and the committee has received assurances of support and a major lottery license from the provincial government. The projected cost of Campus is $18 million.

While the fundraising for Campus is going smoothly, a site for the high school/community centre is still to be determined. The committee had been seriously considering a site in south Winnipeg which now has just over half the Jewish population of the city. However, concerns raised by parents about the potential health hazards resulting from exposure to hydro transmission towers crossing the site have persuaded the committee to look for alternatives. A deposit has now been put on a site nearby.

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Kirshner takes charge at the Pride of Israel

By RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Talk about your all-inclusive packages.

The Pride of Israel Synagogue's incoming spiritual leader is a complete rabbinic unit: Sherman Kirshner is not only a rabbi who has studied under some great Talmud chachamim, but he's also a cantor, a certified mohel, a trained psychologist and a chaplain with a doctorate in counselling.

All that and he's Canadian too.

Born in Winnipeg 53 years ago, Rabbi Kirshner comes to Pride of Israel Synagogue (the name was recently changed from Pride of Israel Temple to avoid confusion with the Reform movement), from Congregation B'nai Israel in West Bloomfield, Mich., where he served for seven years.

Prior to that, he held pulpits in Seminole, Fla. and Miami.

Rabbi Kirshner will replace the retiring Rabbi Harold Lerner at the end of this year. Rabbi Lerner will be feted for his 20 years of leadership at the Pride at a testimonial dinner Nov. 1.

Rabbi Kirshner proudly notes that he performed the circumcisions on all four of his sons, bar mitzvahed them, married two of them and has done the bris on two grandchildren.

His four-page resume reads like an enviable shopping list of qualifications and accomplishments.

In the late 1950s Rabbi Kirshner studied under Rabbi Abraham Kravitz, the late chief rabbi of Western Canada and received a bachelor's degree and Hebrew teaching certificate from Maimonides College in Winnipeg.

He received Orthodox smicha (ordination) in 1972 from Rabbi Yehuda Gershuni, the renowned dean of Yeshiva Eretz Yisrael in New York and Israel.

That was after he graduated from the Jewish Theological Seminary's cantor's assembly and was certified as a surgical mohel, both in the same year, 1960.

In 1981, Rabbi Kirshner received a master's degree in psychology. His dissertation was on death and the grief process in Jewish life.

Five years later, he completed a doctorate in pastoral counselling, based on his research on what is provided for Jewish inmates at U.S. prisons.

Following that up a few years later, Rabbi Kirshner was named the first Jewish chaplain at the maximum security prison in Pinellas County, Fla. and later, was a chaplain assigned to the Oakland County sheriff's department in Michigan.

Rabbi and Mrs. Sherman Kirshner

Chaplaincy is "one of the most important things a rabbi can do," Rabbi Kirshner told *The CJN* last week.

And no sooner did he and his wife Barbara, a court reporter, get settled in Toronto than the Metro Toronto Police force and the Ontario Provincial Police asked Rabbi Kirshner to serve as an in-house chaplain.

Rabbi Kirshner has big plans for the 700-family shul on Lissom Crescent in North York.

For one, he's looking at establishing a preparatory course for youngsters leading up to bar and bat-mitzvah age.

"It would be at least a two-year course I would like to call 'To live as a Jew.' It will be basic Judaism, from beginning to end."

Although Orthodox in his training, Rabbi Kirshner will serve a non-affiliated but traditional congregation in the Pride. Rabbi Kirshner has aligned himself with Orthodoxy's left wing and is on the executive of the Fellowship of Traditional Orthodox Rabbis, which has just concluded a unique and historic merger with the Union for Traditional Judaism, which represents the Conservative movement's right wing.

Tesslers honor long-time pledge with a major Bond purchase

TORONTO —

When Sonia and Manley Tessler landed in Canada in 1949 from their native town of Kortz on the Russian-Polish border, they arrived a few days before Rosh Hashanah, which also coincided with the yahrzeit of Manley Tessler's parents.

At that time, the local synagogue in Regina insisted on the payment of $85 in dues to gain admittance to High Holy Day services. Unable to pay even $5, the Tesslers, both Holocaust survivors, pleaded with the synagogue to waive the fee, pledging that one day they would donate back 10 times that amount.

Last week the Tesslers purchased $2.5 million in Canadian Variable Rate Issue Bonds, the highest yield instrument offered through State of Israel Bonds. Each CDN VRI Bond sells for $25,000 and comes with a guaranteed minimum interest rate of 7.5 percent.

"Those Bonds will help Israel pay for the creation of new jobs for the hundreds of thousands of new immigrants," said Tessler. "Surely we can appreciate what it is like to be new immigrants trying to rebuild new lives in a new country."

But the Tesslers, who are noted in Toronto and Israel for their philanthropy, draw a distinction between their charitable support to the Jewish community and Israel, and their decision to invest in Israel through Israel Bonds. "When a 12-year Bond, redeemable any time after five years, guarantees you a return of 7.5 percent, that can hardly be considered a gift to Israel. If anything, it is more like a gift from Israel."

Manley and Sonia Tessler

The Tessler purchase kicked off a prereception for the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue annual Bonds Dinner, Sept. 23, which will honor Marvin and Ruth Fox. The event has already resulted in the sale of over $3 million in State of Israel Bonds.

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Organizations and People

Survivors' workshop set

TORONTO —

Jewish Family And Child Service, in co-operation with the Holocaust Remembrance Committee of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto, will sponsor a workshop for Holocaust survivors, second generation and child survivors.

The program is an outgrowth of a conference for professionals, which was held last May. Social workers, psychologists, psychiatrists, doctors, nurses and those who work with the elderly or in geriatric wards from hospitals across Toronto participated in the conference.

According to Pnina Spetgang, director of the Holocaust Remembrance Committee, "The professionals felt that the conference provided them with basic information and skills on how to be able to understand the family dynamic as a whole."

Spetgang says that the second generation — the children of survivors — have a very active part in the wellbeing of their parents.

Based on everything learned at the conference, the future plans included numerous workshops. JF&CS and the Holocaust Remembrance Committee have been approached by institutions including Branson Hospital and Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care to have specific workshops at their facilities.

"We are trying to reach the second generation by discussing mutual issues and concerns. We want to make them aware of certain symptoms their parents are experiencing and how to deal with them," says Spetgang.

Spetgang explains that the third generation has been able to reach the survivors better than their parents did.

"It seems there's a better understanding when a generation is skipped," says Spetgang. "The grandparents feel more receptive and interested to share their terrible years of experience, because it's 50 years later. In addition, the grandchildren will be the new emissaries in bringing the message to the next generation."

JF&CS will oversee three six-week programs.

For more information, contact Pnina Spetgang, Holocaust remembrance committee director, at 635-2883, ext. 144, or call Florence Weinberg at JF&CS at 638-7800.

Auction to aid Sunnybrook

TORONTO —

On Sept. 17, more than 150 gifts will be up for bids under huge tents on the beautiful grounds of the McLean Estate in Toronto. Add Hollywood look-a-likes — Marilyn Monroe, Mae West, Elvis and Groucho Marx — to a night at the auction and the evening is sure to be a "star-studded" success.

Proceeds from the event will be used to further critical medical research at the Sunnybrook Health Science Centre.

Phyllis Couzin, chairman of the event, promises "a lively and elegant evening of fine dining and spirited bidding."

Items generously donated by Sunnybrook supporters include personal treasures from private collections, trips to exotic destinations, rare wines, objets d'art and wishes. Opportunities abound to: vacation in Seagram's private chateau in Bordeaux, France; have lunch with Shari Belafonte and the cast of the television show *Beyond Reality;* be captured forever on the cover of a Harlequin romance book; sail on a private yacht in the British Virgin Islands; bask on the beach outside your private villa in Spain, overlooking the Mediterranean; bring home ice cream for 200 kids; cruise and cater to friends on a 1929 Muskoka Ditchburn; follow the 1993 Canadian PGA champions on their rounds and into their private lounge; have your garden designed by Vertechs; or find out how well you cope with stress according to the Sunnybrook Behavioral Treatment Unit.

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The Sunnybrook research program specializes in the fields of oncology, aging and trauma — areas for which Sunnybrook is world renowned. Dr. Mark Henkelman, head of research, said, "The evening not only raises much needed funds for the program, but helps spread the word about how important the work is that we are doing at Sunnybrook."

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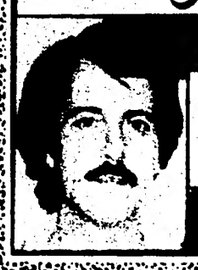

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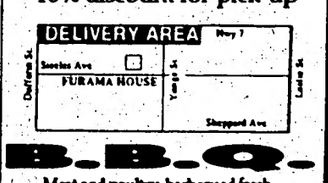

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Organizations and People

DVI seeking Jewish dentists to volunteer in Israel

By CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

Only 10 percent of the volunteers who participate in the Dental Volunteers for Israel (DVI) project in Jerusalem are Jewish. The majority of DVI volunteers are non-Jewish Europeans.

Norma Weingarten, a volunteer who does publicity for DVI Canada told *The CJN* that the Canadian organization hopes to encourage more Jewish dentists to participate in this humanitarian project.

To date, more than 1,500 dentists from 14 countries have participated in the program. They pay their own way and many come with their families. They work for a minimum of two weeks in the clinic. An apartment is provided for them, they receive some special discounts and in their free time, they enjoy trips and lectures.

The dental volunteers work with eight bilingual dental assistants and treat more than 130 underprivileged children a day — children who would not receive any dental and preventative care without DVI. They provide dental treatment for recently arrived olim. Materials are donated and the money to maintain the clinic comes predominantly from fundraising in Toronto.

On Sept. 20 at 7:30 p.m. at McDonald's head office at McDonald Place, DVI will present a fundraising Musical Soiree. The performers will include Shaya Petroff, well-known Toronto pianist and musical director and internationally renowned performers Rosemarie Danziger, a lyric soprano and Gerald Kantarjian, violinist.

Chairmen for the event are Dr. Alfred Intrater, Carol Rosenthall, Rochelle Florence and Essie Arnold.

Reflecting on recent trips to Israel, DVI volunteers from Toronto had enthusiastic comments about their work at the clinic in Jerusalem.

Dr. Brian Feiger told *The CJN* that his intention in going to DVI was to spend time in Israel and at the same time, to do a mitzvah.

"Those five weeks at the clinic were some of the most rewarding I can remember," says Feiger. "As volunteers, we were treated to great hospitality for our efforts."

Dr. Robert Katz comments, "The two special weeks I spent working at the DVI clinic in Jerusalem are imprinted on my heart for a lifetime. I was honored to be able to visit Eretz Yisrael and help keep the smiles of its children as beautiful as they are."

For more information on the DVI volunteer program or for tickets to the Musical Soiree, call Norma Weingarten at (416) 445-4355 or write to DVI Canada, c/o Dr. A. Intrator, 212 Dunvegan Road, Toronto, Ont. M5P 2C2.

Members of the Dental Volunteers for Israel are seen at a planning committee meeting for their fundraising Musical Soiree. Seen (from left) are Dr. Fred Intrator, Rochelle Florence, Esse Arnold and Carol Rosenthall.

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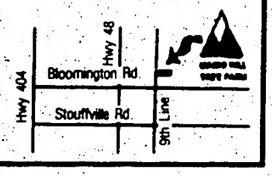

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Food

Spanish theme can be used to enhance festival meal

By LESLYE MICHLIN BORDEN

Since repentance, forgiveness, and reconciliation are part of the appropriate observance of Rosh Hashanah, they should enter into every aspect of the holiday's celebration, even food. Accept Spain's repentance and gestures of reconciliation as illustrated by King Juan Carlos attending services at Madrid's only synagogue. Opt for a Spanish feast when you plan your Rosh Hashanah menu. Not only will you participate in the true spirit of the holiday, but you will provide your family and friends with a delightful, unusual, and tasty menu.

Begin with an array of colorful banderillas. A specialty of northern Spain, banderillas are tasty bites of fish, olives, and other vegetables assembled onto wooden picks.

Named after the picks used at the beginning of a bull fight, banderillas are meant to be eaten all at once, not each piece on the pick enjoyed separately. Select lox, herring, and smoked whitefish. Make it easy on yourself by using a variety of vegetables canned in water or brine, such as artichoke hearts, button mushrooms, baby corn, and even olives. Round out your selection with fresh vegetables, such as cucumber, bell pepper, and cherry tomatoes. Then just mix and match.

Arrange one pick with mushroom, lox, and red pepper; the next with herring, cucumber, and potato. Not every banderilla has to have a piece of fish. Make some all vegetables, such as artichoke, olive, and cherry tomato. The combinations are endless. Arrange the banderillas on salad plates, allowing six per person.

Try a flavorful Spanish vegetable soup. Make it with leeks, cabbage, celery, carrots, potatoes, zucchini, and any other vegetables you like. Spanish cooks frequently add fava, lima, or red beans. On the second night of Rosh Hashanah, add a vegetable you haven't served yet this year. Doing this underlines the significance of saying the she-heheyanu. Liven up its flavor with a few dashes of Tabasco or do as the Spanish do. Pass a bowl of salsa at the table.

For your entree, select a typical Spanish rice dish that includes chicken and sausage. Since kosher sausage is hardly available, much less low-fat kosher sausage, make your own from the recipe below.

Sofrito, which means "fried tomato," is a cooking procedure that forms the backbone of the Spanish culinary style. There, the home cook fries fresh garlic, peppers, and tomatoes in a generous amount of olive oil and then uses the mixture to season casseroles such as this one.

If your family isn't satisfied with dessert unless it is a baked cookie or cake, serve an extra little treat. Bake low-fat meringue topped cookies. The meringue topping looks like a yarmulke, white for the holiness and purity of this awesome occasion.

Banderillas

1 red potato, boiled
1 tbsp. white wine
salt and pepper to taste
3 pieces pickled herring in wine sauce, quartered
3 ounces lox, thinly sliced, cut into 24 pieces
3 ounces smoked whitefish, cut into 24 pieces
12 cherry tomatoes, cut in half
12 green olives, stuffed with pimento
1 red or green pepper, cored, seeded and cut into 24 pieces
1/2 cucumber, cut into 6¾-inch pieces, then quartered
4 baby corn on the cob, cut into 12 pieces
3 large mushrooms, quartered
12 artichoke heart pieces (4 ounces), marinated in water, cut in half

While the potato is still hot, cut into 24 cubes. Sprinkle them with wine and season with salt and pepper. Set aside until ready to assemble the appetizers.

Arrange the pieces on wooden picks. Make sure that each pick contains only one piece of herring, lox, whitefish, or olive. Possible arrangements: herring, potato, cherry tomato; lox, cucumber, artichoke; red pepper, whitefish, corn; cucumber, olive, cherry tomato; artichoke, lox, red pepper; potato, whitefish, mushroom.

To serve, arrange on individual salad plates. Allow 6 banderillas per person.

Per serving: 52 calories; 4 grams protein; 5 grams carbohydrates; 1.7 grams fat, 4 milligrams cholesterol. 28 percent of total calories come from fat.

Spanish Vegetable Soup

1/2 cup non fat chicken broth
1 large onion, coarsely chopped
2 cloves garlic, chopped
1 8-ounce can tomato sauce
1/2 head of cabbage, coarsely chopped
1 cup celery, chopped
4 cups carrots, sliced
2 medium red potatoes, diced
1 cup leek, chopped
1 cup lima beans
1 bay leaf
salt to taste
freshly ground white pepper
2 tbsp. fresh parsley, finely chopped
2 cups sliced zucchini
a few drops of hot sauce
OR a bowl of salsa passed at the table

Place the chicken broth in a stock pot large enough to hold all the ingredients. Heat it and add the onions and garlic. Saute until the onion starts to wilt. Then add the tomato sauce. Simmer a few minutes.

Add the cabbage, celery, carrots, potatoes, leek, and lima beans. Add water enough to cover all the vegetables, about 12 cups. Stir in the bay leaf, salt, pepper, and parsley. cover and bring to a boil. Lower the heat and continue simmering 40-50 minutes, until the vegetables are tender. Refrigerate until serving.

To serve, add the zucchini and bring to the simmer. Heat thoroughly. Add a few drops of hot sauce, if desired.

Makes 18 1-cup servings.

Per serving (not including salsa): 54 calories' 2 grams protein; 12 grams carbohydrates; 0.2 grams fat; 0 milligrams cholesterol. 4 percent of total calories come from fat.

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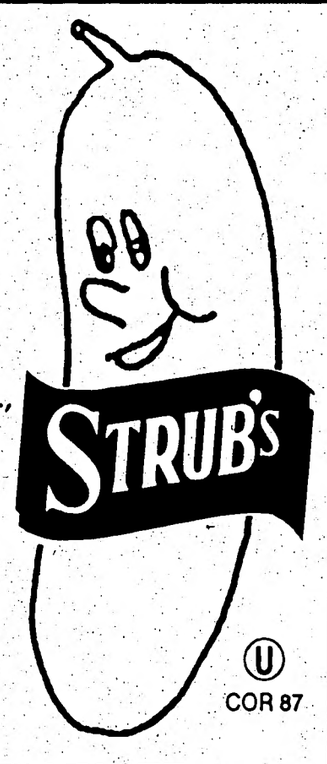

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Food

Meringue yarmulkes — a cookie lover's delight

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6 chicken breasts (about 6½ oz. each),
fat and skin removed
salt, pepper, paprika, garlic powder

Heat oven to 375 degrees. Spray roasting pan with vegetable spray. Season chicken with salt, pepper, paprika, and garlic powder. Place chicken breasts in the prepared pan in a single layer. Roast, uncovered, for 20 minutes, depending on thickness of the fillet. Turn, season the other side, and continue roasting for 15 minutes. Remove from oven, cut in half, and refrigerate until time to assemble the casserole.

The Sausage

1½ lbs. turkey breast (without fat or skin), ground
1 tsp. crushed red pepper, or to taste
1 tsp. fennel seeds
1/2 tsp. cumin
1/2 tsp. dried oregano
1½ tsp. salt (or less)
freshly ground white pepper
1½ cups non fat chicken broth
1 strip of orange peel, about 1 x 3 inches (no white)

Combine all the ingredients except the broth and orange peel. Moisten your hands with cold water. Shape into 24 balls, remoistening your hands as necessary.

Spray a deep fry pan that has a non stick surface with vegetable spray. Place the broth and orange peel in it and bring to a boil. Add the sausage balls. Turn the heat down, and poach gently, turning every 5 minutes for about 15 minutes. Add more broth, if necessary. Remove the sausage from the pan and save any remaining liquid. Discard the orange peel.

The Sofrito

1/2 cup non fat chicken broth
2 large bell peppers, seeded and cut into thin strips
4 large cloves of garlic, finely chopped
1 28-ounce can whole tomatoes, crushed
salt to taste
freshly ground white pepper
4 teaspoons paprika
2 teaspoon dried oregano

Spray a frying pan that has a non stick finish with vegetable spray. Add 1/4 cup chicken broth and bring to a boil. Cook the sliced peppers over medium heat until they are tender, adding more broth if necessary.

Add the garlic. Continue cooking without browning the garlic and then add the crushed tomatoes. Stir in the salt, pepper, paprika, and oregano.

Raise the heat to cook out any extra moisture, being careful not to burn the sauce. When most of the liquid has cooked out, remove the pan from the heat.

Assembling The Casserole:

6 cups cooked rice
2 tbsp. fresh parsley, finely chopped

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Spray a large casserole with vegetable spray. Heat on the top of the stove. Add the cooked rice and the reserved broth from cooking the sausage. Bring to a boil. Place the chicken pieces on top of the rice. Spread the sofrito around, on top, and in between the chicken pieces. Bury the sausages in the casserole. Transfer to the oven. Bake about 30 minutes, until the chicken and sausage are thoroughly heated. Garnish with chopped parsley. Serve at once.

Makes 12 servings.

Per serving: 305 calories; 35 grams protein; 29 grams carbohydrates; 1.5 grams fat; 50 milligrams cholesterol. 5 percent of total calories come from fat.

Pears Baked in Malaga

6 pears
3 tbsp. orange juice
1/4 cup golden seedless raisins
2 cloves
1/3 cup honey
3/4 cup kosher Malaga wine (or sweet sherry)

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Spray a glass baking dish large enough (7 x 11 inches) to hold all the pear halves in a single layer with vegetable spray.

Peel the pears. Halve them and then remove the cores. Place them in the prepared dish. Sprinkle with orange juice. Combine the raisins and cloves and sprinkle over the pears. Combine honey and red wine in a small bowl. Pour over the other ingredients. Bake until the pears are soft, about 30 minutes. Remove cloves before serving.

Serve hot or cold.

Makes 12 servings.

Per serving: 108 calories; 0.5 grams protein; 24 grams carbohydrate; 0.4 grams fat; 0 milligrams cholesterol. 3 per cent of total calories come from fat.

Cookies with Meringue Yarmulkes
The Cookie Dough:

1/4 cup safflower or canola margarine
1/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar
1 egg white
1/2 tsp. grated orange rind
1/2 tsp. vanilla
1¼ cup flour
1/4 tsp. baking soda
meringue topping
36 almond slivers, for garnish

In a medium mixing bowl, cream margarine and brown sugar until light and fluffy. Add the egg white, orange rind, and vanilla. Mix well. In a small bowl, combine the flour and baking soda. Add these to the creamed mixture. Blend completely. Divide dough in half. Roll each piece into a 9-inch log. Wrap in plastic wrap and freeze for 30 minutes.

Heat oven to 325 degrees. Spray 2 cookie sheets with vegetable spray.

Prepare the cookies. Remove dough logs from the freezer. Divide each into 18. Shape each piece into a round, 1/4 inch thick. Place on prepared sheets. Make the meringue topping.

Meringue Topping:

1 large egg white, at room temperature
dash of kosher cream of tartar
1/4 cup sugar
1/2 tsp. orange extract

Place egg white and cream of tartar in small electric mixer bowl. Beat at medium speed until foamy. Add sugar gradually, a tablespoon at a time. Bear at high speed until stiff peaks form. Fold in the orange extract. Spoon a rounded half teaspoon of meringue onto each cookie. Top with an almond sliver.

Bake for 10-12 minutes, just until the edges start to brown. Remove from the oven and cool on wire racks. The meringue tops are fragile, so be very careful removing the cookies from the baking sheets.

Makes 36 cookies.

Per cookie: 40 calories; 0.7 grams protein; 6 grams carbohydrates; 1.4 grams fat; 0 milligrams cholesterol. 32 percent of total calories come from fat.

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Sweetness makes the meal

By NAOMI ARBIT

(JTA) — Rosh Hashanah, the most sacred holiday of the year, begins at sundown on Sept. 27. The observance begins at home with lighted candles and prayers, followed by a festive dinner with some traditional foods. Many of the foods signify the desire for a sweet, happy and peaceful year. The meal usually begins with apple slices dipped in honey and ends with honey cake for dessert.

KREPLACH

Filling:
2 tbsp oil
1/2 onion, chopped
1 cup ground turkey, chicken or leftover cooked chicken
salt and pepper to taste
1 egg or egg substitute, to bind (optional)

Saute onion in oil until golden. Add ground meat (unless already cooked) and stir until well done. Season to taste and set aside to cool. Mix in egg if desired.

Dough:
1 cup flour
1 egg
1/4 tsp. salt
1 tbsp. water
vegetable oil for browning

Put flour in a mixing bowl, make a well and add egg, salt and water. Mix until dough forms a ball. Knead on a floured board about 25 times until dough feels smooth and elastic. You can add more flour if it feels sticky. Roll 1/2 of the dough at a time until it thins out and holds its shape 1/16-inch thick. Cut dough into 2 1/2-inch squares. Place 1 teaspoon filling in the center of each square. Dab finger in water and then on inner edges of dough. Fold dough over to form a triangle stretching as you pull it over filling. Pinch dampened edges together and seal by pressing along edges with fork tines.

Lightly brown kreplach in hot vegetable oil 2-3 minutes on each side. Drain on paper toweling.

TZIMMES

2 lbs. carrots, sliced 1/2-inch thick
3 pounds sweet potatoes, sliced into 1 1/2 x 1/2-inch chunks
1 - 12 oz. package dried pitted prunes
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup brown sugar, firmly packed
4 tbsp. margarine
2 cups water

Combine all ingredients in a 4-quart casserole. Cover and bake in a 375-degree oven for 1 hour. Uncover and bake 1 more hour, stirring occasionally until tender and water has evaporated. Makes 10 servings

FRUIT CRISP

Topping:
1 cup flour
1 1/2 cup quick oats
1/2 cup brown sugar, packed
1/2 lb. cinnamon
1/4 lb. margarine

In a medium bowl, combine dry ingredients. Cut in margarine with a pastry blender or 2 knives until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Set aside.

Fruit filling:
6 cups blueberries
4 lbs. peaches or nectarines, sliced or combination of any of these fruits
1/2 cup sugar
2 tbsp. quick-cooking tapioca
1 tbsp. fresh lemon juice

Toss all ingredients together in a bowl and let rest 15 minutes. Spoon mixture into a vegetable oil sprayed 9 x 13-inch baking dish. Sprinkle topping over all. Bake in a 350-degree oven 55 minutes or until fruit bubbles and topping is golden brown. 12 servings

Naomi Arbit is a syndicated food columnist and the author of seven cook books.

COR provides tested recipe

The Kosher Information Service of the Kashruth Council of Toronto, affiliated with the Vaad Harabonim of Toronto, Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto and the Canadian Jewish Congress has published a COR recipe-information pamphlet for Rosh Hashanah and Sukkot.

Cynthia Gasner, the director of information and public relations, co-ordinates the community information programs of the Rabbinical Vaad Kakashruth. Rabbi Yitzchok Kerzner is the chairman of the Vaad and Yitz'hak Feldman is the chairman of the Kashruth Council.

Rabbi Mordechai Levin, the recently appointed executive director of the Kashruth Council, says that more than 4,000 families across Canada, the United States and beyond, receive educational materials circulated by the council.

Here is one of the recipes from the new flyer. The recipes are tested and prepared by Esther Schwartz, the Council's kosher food consultant.

CRUSTY POTATO TOPPED CHICKEN BREASTS

Serves 4

Preheat oven to 425°F
2 large potatoes, shredded
4 large clove garlic, crushed
¼ tsp. thyme
¼ tsp. sage (optional)
4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts — pat dry
1 tsp. olive oil
Grated black pepper
Chopped parsley
Rosemary

Place shredded potatoes in ice water for 5 minutes. Combine mustard, garlic, thyme and sage and mix well.

Brush mustard mixture over chicken breasts. Drain potatoes, pat dry and toss with olive oil. Top each breast with potato mixture. Place in a single layer in a shallow roasting pan. Sprinkle with remaining seasonings. Bake in hot oven for 40 minutes and serve immediately or bake in advance for 20 minutes and place in preheated oven for 20 minutes before serving.

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Food

Chili's just the ticket for cold night in sukkah

CHILI CASSEROLE WITH POLENTA

This chili has a healthful proportion of vegetables to meat, yet it's every bit as satisfying and flavorful as traditional chili con carne.

Chili may be frozen in individual portions for reheating in the microwave. Transfer thawed chili to bowl and top with polenta wedge. Microwave at Medium-High (70 percent) power for 2 minutes, then at High for 2 minutes or until heated through.

Great for a chilly night in the sukkah!

1 lb lean beef
2 tbsp all-purpose flour
Salt and pepper
4 tsp vegetable oil
2 cups coarsely chopped Ontario Onion
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 small sweet red pepper, seeded and chopped
1 cup finely diced carrots
1 cup coarsely chopped cabbage
2 tbsp chili powder
1 tsp dried oregano
¼ tsp each cinnamon and red pepper flakes
1 can (28 oz) whole tomatoes
1 can (14 oz) red kidney beans, drained
Polenta (recipe follows)

Trim away any fat and cut beef into 1-inch (2.5 cm) pieces. In shallow dish, season flour with salt and pepper. Add beef and toss until flour is taken up; set aside.

In large nonstick skillet, heat 1 tbsp of the oil over medium heat; cook onions, garlic and red pepper, stirring, until onions are translucent. Add carrots and cabbage; cook, stirring, for 2 minutes. Transfer to 10-cup (2.5 L) casserole dish; stir in chili powder, oregano, cinnamon and red pepper flakes. Set aside.

Heat remaining oil in skillet over medium-high heat; cook meat, in batches, turning to brown on all sides. Add to casseroles. Break up tomatoes; stir into casserole. Cover and bake in 325°F (160°C) oven for 1½ hours or until meat is tender, stirring twice during cooking. Taste and season with salt if required and pepper. Stir in beans.

(Recipe can be prepared to this point, cooled, covered and refrigerated for up to 2 days or frozen. Thaw overnight in refrigerator before continuing and increase final cooking time by 10 minutes.)

Cut polenta into wedges; arrange on top of chili. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes or until polenta is lightly golden on top. Makes 6 servings.

Polenta:

3 cups water
¾ cup cornmeal
1 tbsp parve margarine
½ tsp salt

In small saucepan, combine water, cornmeal, margarine and salt; let stand for 10 minutes. Bring to boil, stirring constantly; reduce heat to medium-low and cook, stirring frequently, for 12 to 15 minutes or until spoon drawn through mixture leaves a line. Pour into nonstick 8-inch round cake pan.

Let cool and refrigerate for at least 30 minutes, or when completely cold, cover and refrigerate for up to 2 days.

Preparation Time: 30 minutes.

Cooking Time: 2 hours and 15 minutes.

Enjoying tasty frozen deserts

APPLE SORBET

A resolution to eat healthy low-fat meals does not have to mean cutting out frozen desserts. Try this easy-to-prepare sorbet recipe from Foodland Ontario for a grand finale to a health conscious menu.

4 medium Ontario McIntosh Apples,
peeled, cored and coarsely chopped
½ cup (125 mL) dry kosher white wine
½ cup (125 mL) water
1/3 cup (75 mL) sugar
2 tbsp (25 mL) lemon juice

Combine all ingredients in a medium size saucepan. Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer, covered, 10 min. or until apples are very tender. Puree mixture in a food processor or blender. Pour into a shallow bowl or baking pan. Freeze several hours or overnight. Scoop into serving bowl. Garnish with fresh apple slices, if desired. Serves 4.

Easy side dishes for beef, lamb

The quick and easy side dish from Foodland Ontario is excellent with broiled lamb chops or beef.

1 cauliflower
2 tbsp. vegetable oil
1 tsp. mustard seeds
1 tbsp. each minced fresh gingerroot
and fresh green chili
2 tsp. ground cumin
1 tbsp water (approx.)
Half sweet pepper (red or green or
combination), slivered
Salt and pepper
Fresh coriander sprigs (opt.)

Trim cauliflower and separate into small florets.

Over high heat, heat oil in wok or large skillet. Add mustard seeds; cover and cook until they start to "dance" around.

Remove from heat; add ginger, chili and cauliflower. Stir-fry for 3 min. Stir in cumin; stir-fry for 1 min.

Sprinkle with water; cover, reduce heat to low and steam for about 5 min. or until cauliflower is almost tender, adding more water if needed. Add pepper slivers. Season with salt and pepper to taste; stir-fry for 1 to 2 min. or until vegetables are tender-crisp.

Serve immediately, garnished with fresh coriander if using. Serves 4.

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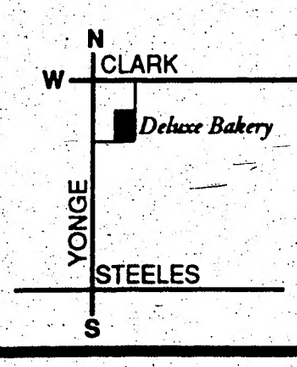

From our family to yours, have a very Happy New Year

Food

Peanuts are fine for holidays

"Ground peas are the seeds of a legume and therefore a permissible food for the Days of Awe," according to Rabbi Steven Greenberg. Greenberg's response to an avoidance of the vegetable by many observant Jews notes that the avoidance arises from the misconception that ground peas are nuts because the seed's more common English names are "peanut" or "groundnut."

Many Jews don't eat nuts during the ten days beginning at Rosh Hashanah and extending through Yom Kippur because the Hebrew word for nut, egoz, is numerically equivalent to that for transgression, chet. Jews have long symbolically separated themselves from sin during the days of judgement by not eating nuts. Extending this thinking to include all foods referred to in English as "nuts," led to an avoidance of peanut products.

Rabbi Greenberg's explanation is a convenience, taste and nutrition bonus. Peanuts are high fibre, cholesterol-free and more protein-rich than eggs, dairy, and many cuts of meat and fish.

Ground peas are the perfect vehicle for honey, the sweetener traditionally used to welcome the New Year. Using these recipes the Rosh Hashanah blessing, "May it be your will to renew us for a year that is good and sweet," would be appropriate at almost any course!

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Everybody loves a crunchy, sweet treat! Make two batches; parents will enjoy the spicy version with before-dinner drinks, and kids will call for the milder style as a perfect, nutritious snack.

ZIPPY HONEY ROASTED GROUND PEAS

12 oz. shelled, unsalted, dry roasted peanuts
⅓ cup honey
1½ tbsp. peanut oil
¼ tsp. each chili powder and grated orange peel (for adults) OR cinnamon and nutmeg (for children)
pinch of salt

Combine all ingredients in a 1 quart mircrowave-safe bowl and cook on high for 2 minutes. Stir. Cook for an additional 2-3 minutes. Pour mixture onto greased baking sheet to cool. Serve as an hors d'oeuvre.

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This "restaurant-style" dipping sauce makes simple chicken nuggets into a New Year's treat.

CHINESE DIPPING SAUCE

½ cup peanut butter
2 tbsp. sesame oil
1/8 cup honey
4 tbsp. soy sauce
½ tsp. each ground ginger, anise, garlic powder (not salt), and crushed red pepper

Blend all ingredients together until smooth.

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Chefs prize peanut oil for its neutral flavor. The délicate tastes of this side dish would be lost in any other oil.

SYMBOLIC SALAD

6 miniature pumpkins (inedible garnish)
12 oz. chick peas
½ cup grated carrots
1 tsp. fenugreek seeds
¼ cup pomegranate seeds
1/8 cup peanut oil
3/8 cup orange juice

Cut tops off of pumpkins and hollow out. Set tops and bowls aside.

Mix chick peas, carrots and seeds together. Whip together peanut oil and orange juice until emulsified. Toss chick pea mixture in dressing and fill pumpkin bowls to overflowing. Replace tops and serve.

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Dress up a lekach, the traditional honey cake served at Rosh Hashanah, by slicing the layer in half horizontally and filling with this tasty confection:

PEANUT BUTTER CAKE FILLING

¾ cup peanut butter
¼ cup honey
¼ cup softened butter or margarine
1 tsp. brandy or rum (vanilla, if preferred)
¾ tsp. ground ginger

Cream all ingredients together. The mixture will be glossy and runny. Chill one half hour in refrigerator to spreading consistency before filling one cooled cake.

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Jewish households turn to healthier meals

For more and more Jewish households, a new tradition is being started: less red meat, less fat and lower cholesterol on their holiday table. The brisket is out and the turkey pot roast is in.

According to Murray L. Katz, president of Empire Kosher Poultry, "All segments of the population of this country are now taking a longer look at what they eat and how it affects their health. But, making changes aren't always so easy. People want foods that are better for them, but still have the flavors and presence of what their grandmothers used to put on their Rosh Hashanah tables. The problem is, they just don't know what to make.

Empire provides free recipes to its customers, to help them make the healthy transition.

TURKEY POT ROAST

1¾ lb turkey drumsticks, skin removed
½ cup onion, peeled and finely chopped
2 cloves garlic, minced or pressed
½ tsp basil, dried and crumbled
¼ tsp thyme
1 cup turkey or chicken broth
2 medium potatoes, pared and halved
1 tbsp cornstarch
¼ cup cold water
2 tbsps fresh parsley, chopped

Place turkey drumsticks in a non-stick Dutch oven. Season with pepper to taste. Add onion, garlic, basil, thyme and broth. Bring to boil; cover and simmer over low heat (or bake at 350°F) until turkey is nearly tender, about 1 hour.

Add potatoes and carrots. Cover and cook until vegetables are tender, about 20 minutes.

Remove turkey and vegetables and place on heated platter to keep warm. Skim any fat from pan juices and discard.

Mix cornstarch and cold water and stir into simmering pan juices. Cook, stirring until sauce is thickened.

To serve, spoon sauce over meat and vegetables. Garnish with parsley.

CHICKEN AND SQUASH CASSEROLE

3 lbs cut-up legs and breasts
1 lb small yellow squash or zucchini
1 tsp olive oil
1 tbs tarragon
1 clove garlic, minced
1 onion, diced
⅓ cup rice, uncooked
2 raw tomatoes, peeled, seeded and diced
1 cup chicken broth
salt and pepper

Season breasts and legs with pepper. Split squash in half lengthwise and cut into ½" pieces. In a large pan (cast iron is perfect), lightly coat bottom with olive oil and add chicken pieces, skin side down. Cook about 3 minutes, turn and cook another 2 minutes. Reduce heat to medium, add tarragon, onion and garlic. Toss and cook another 2 minutes. Add rice, squash, tomato and chicken broth; cover. Simmer for 20 minutes.

Serves 4.

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CHICKEN BAKED WITH HONEY MUSTARD

1 broiler or fryer, approx. 3-4 lbs., cut up
½ cup parve margarine, melted
½ cup honey
¼ cup kosher dijon-style mustard
¼ tsp freshly ground pepper

Preheat oven to 350°F. Place chicken in baking dish. Combine margarine, honey, mustard and pepper. Spread over chicken and bake 1 hour, basting every 15 minutes until chicken is golden brown.

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Yom Kippur meal can be healthy, easy

Planning the meal to break the Yom Kippur fast poses one of the thorniest cooking problems for Jewish homemakers who want to be observant. On Yom Kippur, the holiest observance on the Jewish calendar (which begins this year on the evening of October 6), Jews spend the day in the synagogue, fasting and praying, atoning for past sins and hoping to be inscribed in the Book of Life for yet another year.

At the end of this exhausting and emotional experience, everyone returns home, looking forward to a delicious, light repast which will energize them after the arduous day. What to prepare for this meal is a challenge. It is even more difficult for those who actually remain in the synagogue all day.

And, for those who want to limit their consumption of fat and cholesterol, it is even harder. Thus, an appropriate meal is one that benefits from advance preparation, can be served quickly and easily, and whose fat content is less than 30 percent of total calories.

Happily, a number of tasty and easily digestible recipes meet all these criteria. Try a menu that starts with poached tuna "sausage" for the appetizer. As an entree, select pesto lasagne. Round out these selections with toasted garlic bread, a fresh tomato salad, and wilted cucumbers. For dessert, serve cinnamon baked apples, which carry out the sweet New Year theme.

The tuna sausage, garlic bread, pesto lasagne, wilted cucumbers, and baked apples all benefit from advance preparation. Make them on Monday, or even Tuesday morning. Keep them refrigerated until it's time to break the fast.

When you come home from the synagogue, you will have just a few easy things to do. Start by putting the lasagne in the oven. It will be piping hot and ready to serve by the time you finish the rest of the last minute details. Arrange the tuna sausage on a platter. Then slice the tomatoes. After this, heat the bread. By then, the lasagne will be ready.

Bake the apples while everyone is enjoying dinner, or present them cold. Presto — you meal is ready. Display the beautiful food you have prepared on your pre-set table or counter. Then, let everyone serve him or herself.

Because these recipes are low in fat, they also are easily digestible, so they are particularly appropriate after the 24-hour fast. One serving of each recipe totals 525 calories, only 16 percent of which come from fat, considerably lower than the 30 percent recommended by the American Heart Association. Yet, all the dishes are flavorful and tasty due to the addition of herbs and your selection of the ripest and freshest ingredients.

With advance planning and preparation, you can come home from the synagogue and serve a spectacular buffet that is both tasty and healthy. No one will get a stomach ache from breaking the fast on these recipes because they are so low in fat. Keep preparing this kind of food throughout the rest of the year. Then you and your family truly will be inscribed in the Book of Life! Have a happy and healthy New Year.

POACHED TUNA "SAUSAGE" WITH NO-FAT BASIL MAYONNAISE

Poaching stock:

1 medium onion, thinly sliced
1 stalk celery, sliced
1 carrot, chopped coarsely
1 teaspoonful salt
2 cups white wine
water

Place all ingredients in a pot nine or 10 inches wide (wide enough to hold the sausage). Cover and bring to a boil. Reduce heat, and simmer 15 minutes.

Tuna sausage:

1 medium red potato, boiled and peeled
2 6½-ounce cans white tuna, packed in water, drained
½ cup onion, finely chopped
¼ cup Parmesan cheese, grated
¼ cup egg substitute
1 egg white
1 teaspoon salt, or to taste

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HOLIDAY FARE

A table full of meze: Traditional Israeli and Arabic hors d'oeuvres served in Jerusalem restaurant. [Sarit Uziely photo]

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Yom Kippur made easy

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freshly grated pepper, butter, lettuce leaces for garnish
2 tablespoons capers for garnish
no-fat basil mayonnaise

In a medium bowl, mash the potato. Add the remaining ingredients except the garnishes. Combine:

Moisten a large piece of cheesecloth. Wring it out and spread it on your work surface. Place the tuna mixture at one end. Shape it into a roll about eight inches long (not longer than your poaching pot is wide). Roll it in the cheesecloth. Make sure the sausage mixture is covered by at least two layers of cheesecloth. Tie the ends.

Place the finished roll into the simmering poaching stock. Bring to the boil, reduce heat to a gentle simmer, and continue cooking, covered, for 45 minutes. Remove from the poaching stock at once. Unwrap and refrigerate until ready to serve.

To serve, cut into slices about 3/8-inch thick. Place on a lettuce lined platter. Garnish with capers and no-fat basil mayonnaise.

Serves 12.

Per serving (excluding mayonnaise): 65 calories; 10 grams protein; 3 grams carbohydrate; 1.3 grams fat; 13 milligrams cholesterol. 20 percent of total calories come from fat.

No-fat basil mayonnaise

¼ cup no fat, no cholesterol mayonnaise
¼ cup chopped fresh basil (or 2 tablespoons dried basil)
1 squeeze of lemon juice (optional)

Combine ingredients in a small mixing bowl. Use as directed above.

Makes ¾ cup (12 tablespoons).

Per tablespoon: 12 calories; 0 grams protein; 3 grams carbohydrate; 0 grams fat; 0 milligrams cholesterol.

Low Fat Garlic Bread

12 slices (1-ounce each) French bread
4 tablespoons reduced oil margarine
4 cloves garlic
½ teaspoon paprika

In a small bowl, combine the margarine and garlic. Bake, uncovered, for about 30 minutes, until the garlic is soft. Remove from the oven and mash, adding the paprika. Brush 1 teaspoon of this mixture onto each slice of bread. Cover and refrigerate until 10 minutes before serving time.

To serve, remove from refrigerator. Place in 350-degree oven and bake until the bread is hot and the edges are crisp and starting to brown, about 10 minutes. Remove from the oven and serve at once. Serves 12.

Per slice: 80 calories; 3 grams protein; 15 grams carbohydrate; 1.5 grams fat; 0 milligrams cholesterol. 16 percent of total calories come from fat.

Low-fat, Low-cholesterol pesto lasagne

1 recipe lower fat fresh basil pesto
3 cups no-fat ricotta or cottage cheese
1½ cups no-fat sour cream
½ cup onion, finely chopped
1 egg white
salt and pepper to taste
12 lasagne noodles, cooked
2 tablespoons Parmesan cheese
paprika

Make the pesto.

If you use no-fat cottage cheese, push it through a fine sieve into a medium mixing bowl. Combine the no-fat ricotta cheese (or the prepared cottage cheese) with the sour cream, chopped onion, egg white, and salt and pepper.

Spray a 9"x13" baking pan with vegetable spray. Make a layer of four lasagne noodles in the prepared pan. Spread 1/3 of the pesto over the noodles. Spread 1/3 of the cheese mixture over the pesto. Repeat. Sprinkle the top with the remaining Parmesan cheese and a little paprika, if desired. Cover and refrigerate until ready to bake.

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Bake 30-40 minutes, or until the sauce is bubbling in the pan. Serves 12.

Per serving: 197 calories; 15 grams protein; 23 grams carbohydrate; 5 grams fat; 6 milligrams cholesterol. 22 percent of total calories come fom fat.

Lower fat fresh basil pesto

*2 full cups fresh basil, leaves only***
1 large clove garlic
1 teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon freshly ground pepper
2 tablespoon toasted almonds
2 tablespoons olive oil
½ cup Parmesan cheese, grated

Place the basil, garlic, salt, pepper, almonds, and olive oil in food processor bowl. Process briefly, then scrape down the sides of the bowl. Process again. Add the Parmesan cheese and process until smooth. Use it once or store in the refrigerator, tightly sealed, up to two weeks. Makes ¾ cup (12 tablespoons).

Per tablespoon: 48 calories; 2 grams protein; 0.7 grams carbohydrate; 4.1 grams fat; 3 milligrams cholesterol. 77 percent of total calories come from fat.

**You can usually find fresh basil in the produce section of your market. One packet usually is the equivalent to one cup. If you cannot find it, try substituting two cups of fresh spinach and ¼ cup dried basil. Use as directed in the recipe above.

Low fat wilted cucumbers

3 cucumbers, thinly sliced
white vinegar
water
salt to taste
1 tablespoon dried dill

Place cucumbers in a glass bowl. Salt and gently mix. Cover with equal parts vinegar and water. Add the dill. Cover and refrigerate until ready to serve. Serves 12.

Per serving: 11 calories; 0 grams protein; 3 grams carbohydrate; 0.1 grams fat; 0 milligrams cholesterol. 7 percent of total calories come from fat.

Low fat Italian style sliced tomatoes

3 large, ripe tomatoes
salt
freshly ground pepper
3 tablespoons fresh basil, chopped (or 2 teaspoons dried)
2 tablespoon wine vinegar

Slice the tomatoes about 3/8-inch thick. Arrange on a flat platter. Sprinkle with salt. Let them stand about ½ hour. Drain the accumulated liquid. Season with freshly ground pepper and chopped basil. Sprinkle with vinegar and serve. Serves 12.

Per serving: 12 calories; 0.6 grams protein; 3 grams carbohydrate; 0.1 grams fat; 0 milligrams cholesterol. 8 percent of total calories come from fat.

No-cholesterol cinnamon baked apples:

12 baking apples, washed and cored
12 tablespoons brown sugar
2 teaspoons cinnamon
4 tablespoons raisins
4 tablespoons reduced calorie margarine, melted
boiling water

Heat oven to 375 degrees.

Arrange apples in a baking dish that has been sprayed with vegetable spray. In a small bowl, combine remaining ingredients (except the boiling water). Fill the centres of the apples with the mixture. Place the dish in the oven. Pour boiling water into it up to 1/2 inch around the prepared apples. Bake for about 50 minutes, or until apples are tender. Baste frequently with the syrup. Refrigerate until ready to serve. Serves 12.

Per serving: 148 calories; 0.5 grams protein; 37 grams carbohydrate; 1.2 grams fat; 0 milligrams cholesterol. 7 percent of total calories come from fat.

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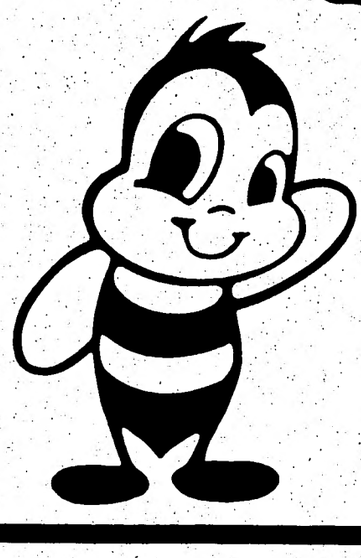

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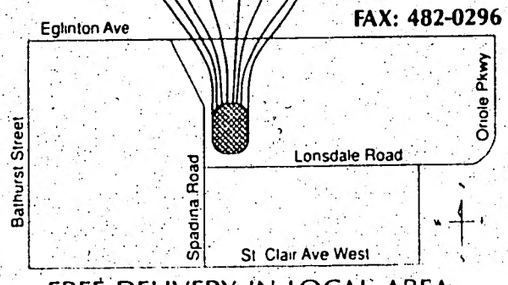

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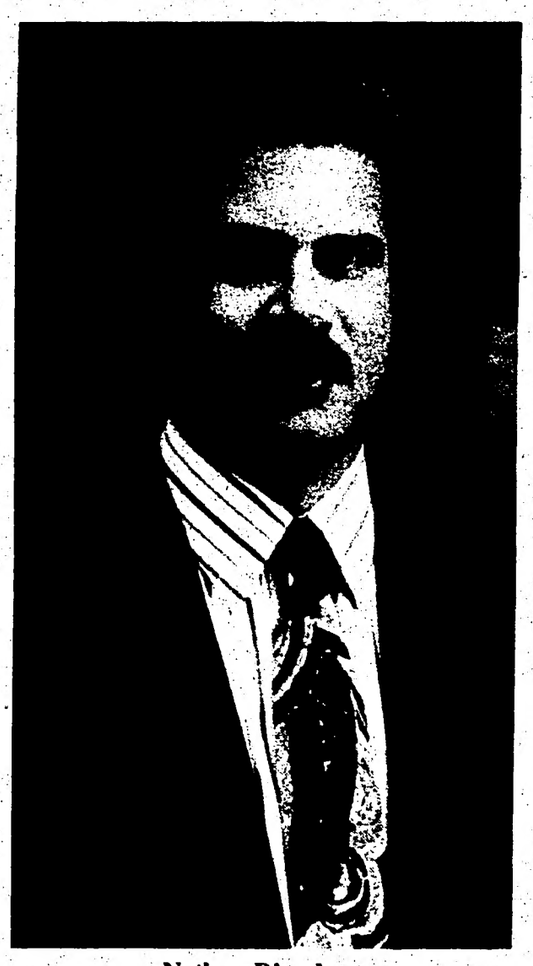

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SunSpa is another project of the Toronto investment business Brown Group, which is involved in apartment buildings, shopping malls and restaurants.

"Most of the staff at the spa has been here for many years," Brown said. "It's affordable luxury, the excitement of being catered to with tender loving care."

People often come to celebrate their anniversaries and birthdays at the spa. "One of our customers is 104," Brown said. "He's a great dancer. I've never seen anything like it. He's never missed a dance. I'd love to dance like him when I'm 104."

Other celebrations include the spa's gala New Year's Eve party and the annual Passover Seder with the nine-man Victory Singers, who perform in Hebrew and English.

You don't have to be extravagantly rich or internationally famous to enjoy the kind of health-spa escape that movie stars and billionaires are fond of taking. But you should be warned the spa may be habit-forming.

"People have been turning to us for 20 years, coming back year after year," Brown said.

Classic Creations lead the way as trendsetters

In the heart of North York, at the corner of Cummer Avenue and Yonge Street, in the Newtonbrook Plaza, lies what used to be one of the best kept secrets in the jewelry industry.

But in the past few years, word has spread like wild fire. Classic Creations Jewellers is entering its ninth year of business and owners, brothers Sam and Ami Freiberg, attribute their success to their firm belief in being trend setters and not trend followers.

The brothers are, literally, constantly travelling the world in order to find what they believe will be the next "hot" trend and offer it to their clientele at a low discount price.

"We're always trying to give our customer the best jewelry at the best discount price," Ami said.

When you first enter Classic Creations you are immediately taken by the bright surroundings, large variety of jewelry, and friendly jewelry consultants. The store carries an extensive line of jewelry from the latest in earrings and bracelets to chains and rings. It also carries a large variety of watches like Raymond Weil, Movado, Concord, Tag Heuer, Longines-Wittnauer, Seiko, Citizen and Swatch.

A large portion of Classic Creations' business is diamond engagement rings. Ami attributes the large volume of engagement ring sales to the particular care and effort they put into buying every diamond, "We take special care in making sure we offer our clients exactly what they are looking for at the lowest possible price, to ensure that once our customers make their first purchase they will continue to return for all their jewelry needs."

The other half of the "Dynamic Duo" — as they are affectionately referred to by some of their clients — Sam Freiberg, said, "In today's market place, the reason we've continued to be successful, the fact that our customers feel more like friends when they enter the store than just customers, and it's this feeling we try to emphasize to our sales staff and craftsmen. It's important to us that our clients keep returning, even to just say 'hello' if they're in the area."

Prominently displayed is their work area where skilled jewellers and diamond setters perform their trade. They specialize in all types of custom design work as well as jewelry and watch repairs. Expert jewelry appraisals are done right on the premises.

Classic Creations Jewellers is located at 5815 Yonge St., in Willowdale and at 16555 Yonge St. in Newmarket. The brothers are confident that once you visit them, you'll keep coming back.

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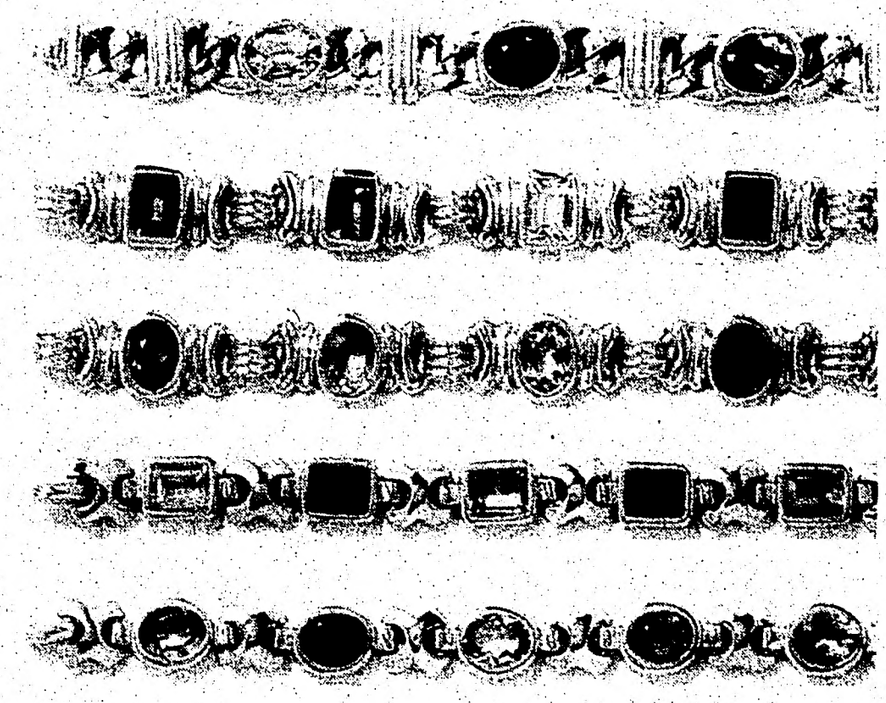

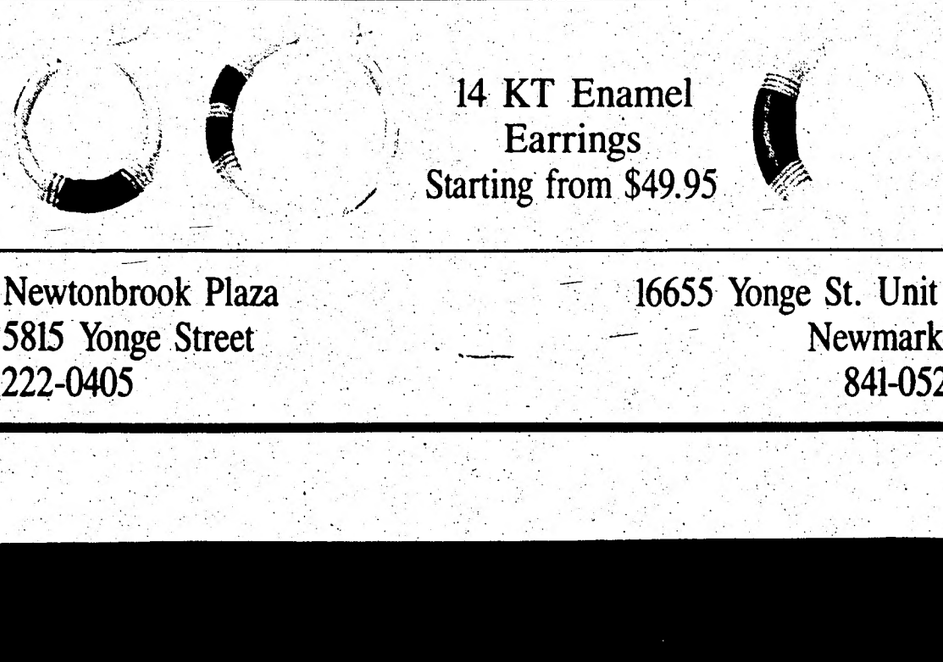

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LifeStyle

Fairland's fashions great for all kids

While the price tag may be the main attraction at off-price clothing stores, many parents are discovering that low cost does not necessarily mean cheap products and outdated styling.

At Fairland, a store specializing in children's fashions from Canada, the United States and Europe, top quality is essential.

Owner Marty Zimmerman carries brand names like Osh Kosh, Krickets, Good Lad, Baby's Own, Esprit, Vuarnet, Tickle Me, Dr. Denton, Robin, Sugar Kaine, Gusti, Alfred Sung, Manhattan Private Members, Starter, Nike, and Cache-Cache.

He adds that the merchandise is always updated so customers are guaranteed a large selection.

Fairland, described as a full-service children's department store, is able to provide these top quality items at 20 to 60 percent off the normal retail price by having low overhead and buying up the latest clearances.

Because kids are just as tuned into trends as adults in both casual back-to-school fashions and dressy items, the store offers great options to those who are shopping for the Jewish holidays.

From newborn up to size 16 for girls, Fairland offers dresses with lacy necklines, floral prints decorated with bows, embroidery and trim, pleated pieces and dress coats.

Many of the outfits cater to the young lady who has an eye for detail. The eyelet-trimmed crinolin under any color or style of dress is a sure pleaser for the holidays. One luxurious coat in hunter green sports black cuffs and collar.

Fairland offers a vast selection of stylish suits for boys and the store caters to young men from newborn to size 20 for husky boys who have trouble finding specialty sizes - all at hard-to-beat prices.

Fairland carries items that dress children from the inside out. From the comfortable underwear, dress socks for boys and stylish leggings for girls to the main outfit to accessories, all is available. Fairland even stocks the ever-popular 90210 knapsacks that are taking the younger sect by storm.

Fairland is located at 241 Augusta St., near Spadina Avenue. The store started out in 1918 in the heart of Toronto's Jewish community as Anshei Lida, a synagogue for Lithuanian Jews. Forty years later, the synogogue was sold and converted to a furniture store and then to a grocery store and then finally to Fairland.

As Zimmerman says, a trip to Fairland is like revisiting the old neighborhood.

Fairland is open from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. during the week and 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

Unique flavors set Metropolitan apart

Want a low cholesterol, low fat treat? One that tastes really good? Well, you need look no further than Metropolitan Ice Cream. Metropolitan has delicious fruit ices available in many different and some very unique flavors, including rosehip, champagne, pink grapefruit, passionfruit, guava, kiwi, raspberry, mango and lemon.

Not only are the ices kosher, but they are also made without preservatives and have zero percent fat, zero percent cholesterol and contain no dairy products!

Someone from the company goes shopping at the Toronto Food Terminal every day for fresh fruit. "It's easier for a small company like ours to do that," says Michael Hurwich, who owns Metropolitan along with his partner, Mark Hugh Sam. They will whip up a special order of any flavor, providing the fruit is available at the food terminal and the customer orders a minimum quantity. "This summer one of our hotels requested black tea ice. As long as we can get a hold of the ingredients, we will make whatever the customer wants!," says Hurwich.

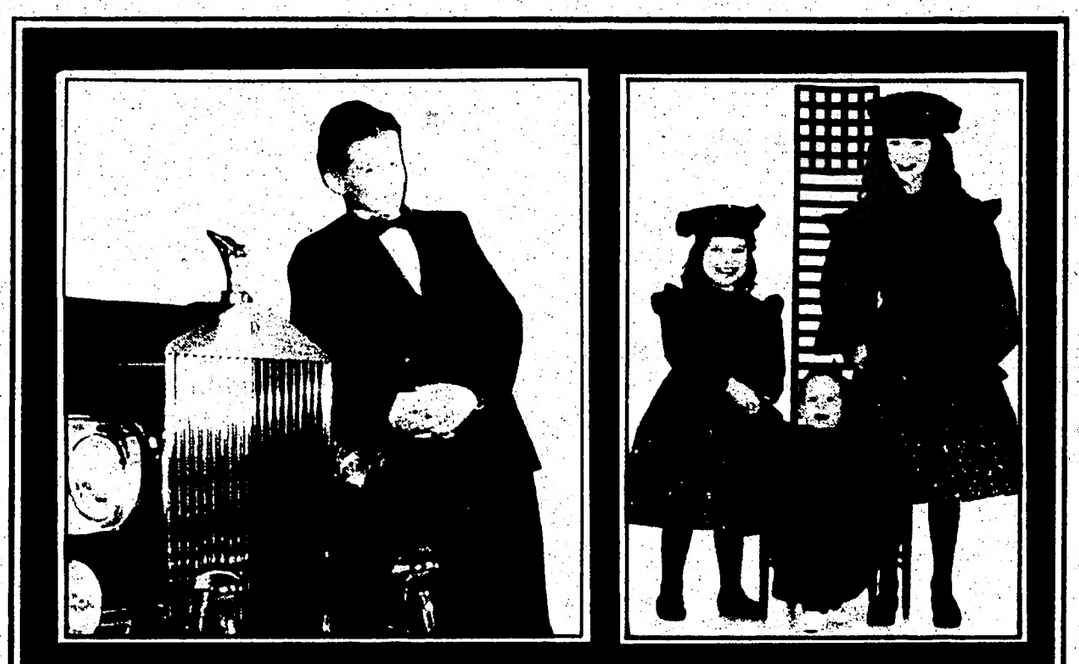
A few weeks ago they filed for kosher certification for their ice creams. Some of the more delectable flavors include an intense moka espresso, chocolate almond crunch, strawberries 'n' cream and a classic french vanilla.

Unlike most ice cream manufacturers who order vanilla extract in bulk, Metropolitan heats vanilla beans in water and alcohol and extracts their own vanilla. "It's more laborious, but it is the high end thing to do," says Hurwich.

Metropolitan's original owner, Lanny Salsberg, a pastry chef trained in Paris, created all the ice and ice cream recipes. Five months ago, Hurwich and his partner bought the nine-year-old company. "We recently landed a contract to support McDonald's at the Dome, so we're working around the clock. The company originally started from nothing and now it's a million dollar operation — needless to say we're pretty happy," says Hurwich.

Hurwich and his partner are both 29 and both hold MBAs. They will be expanding shortly, taking their ices and ice creams, up until now available only in Toronto, across the province. They have lined up Westhill Dairy, a kosher dairy, to distribute their products for them.

Metropolitan products can be found at 300 locations across the city, including Daiter's, Bruno's, Dominion, Kosher City, Pusateris, Sunnybrook, Steeles Bakery and Miracle Mart. It can also be found at restaurants such as Milk 'n' Honey, Chopstix and the Daily Planet. For Hazelton Lanes shoppers, Metropolitan operates a cart in the backyard open Monday to Saturday.



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"Tailoring is an art." This is a quote from one who knows. The speaker is Stavros Theodoro-Poulos, founder of Stavros Master Tailors.

With technological advances and mass production gaining ground, Stavros is one of the few left in the industry who offers top-quality, hand-crafted suits made from only the finest fabrics.

Stavros says that the attention to detailing, such as hand-stitched button holes, makes a world of difference to the final product.

The quality and styling is something that can be seen from a distance. Stavros attributes this to the fact that the actual foundation or structure of the suit is solid.

You don't have to tell these things to the clients Stavros has serviced over the years. His clientele comes from as far away as San Fransico, New York, Florida and from all across Canada. His suits are seen in celebrity circles worn by people like Jerry Lewis and Mr. T.

Not only do these people travel for the quality and the craftmanship of the suits and dress shirts but they also visit Stavros because of his excellent customer service.

Whether the client is near to Toronto or further away, Stavros has mock patterns and measurements of all which means a quick call can put a suit into production. However, personal fittings are essential. Sometimes Stavros insists on up to three or four fittings per suit.

Stavros, who is a member of the Designers and Custom Tailors in America, says that when a client purchases his suits he is building an investment wardrobe.

While the prices on his suits run from $1,200 and up, this is an item that will last, unlike the mass produced, less expensive suits.

"What is the sense of sinking money into a suit that doesn't feel comfortable?"

More often than not, a suit such as this will end up eroding a person's sense of confidence and well-being and the once-worn suit will disappear to the back of the closet, Stavros says.

Another factor that adds to his success is his flexibility in terms of styling. Stavros says he can provide every type of styling from the contemporary designs to suits that will appeal to the conservative.

The custom-designed suits are made only from the finest fabrics. From England comes Wain Shiell, Holland & Sherry, Dormeuil and Scabal. From Italy, Stavros carries Ermenegildo Zegna and Tallia Di Delfino. Garriga comes from Spain and Signe Noblet from France is also available.

From his head office on Church Street to an expanding store on Cumberland Avenue, Stavros's business is doing exceptionally well in recessionary times.

"I add corners ... I don't cut them," he says.

New protection plan helps senior travelers

No age limit for coverage

Senior Citizens Insurance Agency (SCIS) has recently initiated the CARP-NOMAD Travel Protection plan for the Canadian Association of Retired Persons (CARP) and John Ingle Travel Insurance.

SCIS was established in 1986 to research, develop, create and distribute specific life, health and other insurance programs to senior citizens.

It is comprised of independent brokers, Leo Fenson and Ev Bluestein, each of whom has over 30 years experience.

This travel protection plan is timely. Many older Canadians have been disturbed by news about the cancellation of emergency medical insurance offered to premium credit card holders. This, plus OHIP cutbacks and increased private insurance premiums, has older travellers concerned about finding affordable insurance coverage for medical emergencies.

With this plan, all pre-existing medical conditions are covered. There is no age limit or time restriction. The worldwide, multilingual service is available 24 hours a day. There is even a NOMAD office in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

NOMAD coverage automatically includes trip cancellation, accidental death or dismemberment and baggage insurance, for which other insurers charge extra.

While this plan is available to the public, CARP members are able to enjoy a greater discount. This plan is one of many benefits enjoyed by over 100,000 CARP members across Canada.

Other programs offered are Ontario Blue Cross-Plus 55 Plan and Managed Dental Care; Canada Life Casualty Insurance Co. — Home and Auto Insurance; Security Life-Home Equity Pension Plan; life insurance and more.

CARP is a registered non-profit organization modelling itself after the U.S.-based American Association of Retired Persons, which has 30 million members.

CARP continues to provide many benefits and services to its members, who pay an annual membership fee of $10 per year or $25 for three years (same fee for single or couple), which includes a membership directory of available benefits and a subscription to the CARP quarterly newspaper.

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LifeStyle

Fit is first in choosing proper shoes at Mornay

When it comes to shoes, fit is every bit as important as style, and no one knows better than Mark Morayniss, owner of Mornay Shoes at 190 Main St. in Unionville.

"Women should not have a specific shoe size in mind when they are shoe shopping. Come into the store and let a professional size your feet. With so many different shoe manufacturers, size often varies from shoe to shoe."

Morayniss says that he cannot "stress enough the importance of getting a properly fitted shoe. Shoes that do not fit properly can cause a lot of damage to the feet, not to mention the rest of the leg. Imagine trying to spend a whole day in shoes that are too narrow, too short or even too long. That can really ruin a person's day.

At Mornay, the professional staff specializes in those hard-to-fit feet. We carry sizes ranging from the standard B width to AAAA. Those narrowest shoes are very difficult to find so when a woman comes in and not only finds her size, but finds a variety of shoes in that size, she is just thrilled."

Metallic and bronze shoes and accessories are very important this season and Mornay carries an extensive line by such names as Stuart-Weitzman, Rangoni, Bally and Lavallee.

"These colors are popular because they are neutral and access fashionably with all colors. Metallic has taken the place of most shoe colors this season because with so many people becoming budget conscious, it makes sense to have one pair of shoes that go with an entire wardrobe. As for styling, anything goes these days, from high heels to flats. Women are wearing flat party shoes and high shoes pumps for everyday. Whatever fits is the buzzword this season."

Matching purses

Morayniss adds that matching purses are also very big this year and when purchasing shoes he buys additional matching leather and has the purses made locally.

"When we are working with metallic and bronze, close just does not look right. The colors have to be right on so, by actually using identical leather, the match is perfect. Matching shoes and handbags put a finishing touch on an outfit that cannot be beat."

Customer satisfaction pays off in results

A new year. A new beginning. A time that calls us to reflect. On this occasion, the staff at The New Parkwood Central look in two directions. The past. And the future.

Evaluating the last year, they see how well they have succeeded. The staff have each carried out their roles and many goals have been realized. And it is the combining of these efforts that has been responsible for producing such desirable results. The level of dedication to customers has enabled the dealership to reach the highest plateaus — in sales and service.

President Paul Stern and staff are committed to customer satisfaction in every capacity. And it is this overall enthusiasm that has been instrumental in "driving" the business.

The upcoming year will present new challenges and opportunities for the people at Parkwood. Sales representative Trevor Ben-Zion Kahn is proud to be a member of the team, and along with Morris Seigel, Ruth Zbarsky and Jeff Kaufman, looks forward to continuing to satisfy the needs of the community.

The new year also brings with it new possibilities and Parkwood is certain customers will share their excitement over GM's introduction of the Cadillac STS, which features the new Northstar motor — a high-horsepower engine specifically designed for Cadillac, which is already available in the Allante and standard in the STS and Eldorado touring coupe.

The new rear-wheel drive Fleetwood Brougham is completely redesigned for '93 and as always, the entire GM line has been refined in order to provide vehicle owners with a more maintenance-free and fuel-efficient product. And once again, Cavalier will be named the number-one selling car in Canada for the third year in a row.

Lower lease rates

GM has also introduced new incentive programs with lower lease rates on Cadillac and Oldsmobile, in addition to continuing their "Smart Lease" program.

This Rosh Hashanah, Paul Stern and The New Parkwood Central staff extend wishes for a sweet, healthy and prosperous new year to all their friends, families and customers.

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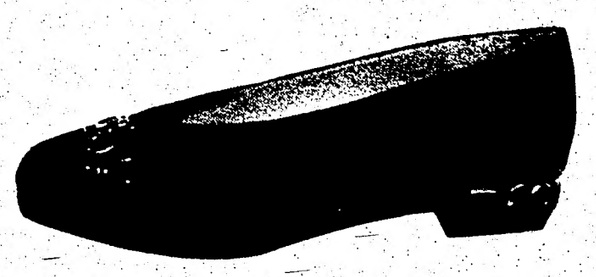

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Tax and inflation are the two key enemies of retired people. But the best time to begin battling these two adversaries is right now, say Linda Passarelli, and David Peters of Royal Trust.

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Be aware of what sources of income you can count on in retirement. Fewer than half of Canadians have a company pension plan, so they'll be relying more on Old Age Security, Canada Pension Plan and personal savings.

turn 71 — the compulsory age to convert an RRSP. Letting your RRSP savings continue to compound tax-sheltered can add up to thousands and thousands of extra dollars to live on later.

Don't wait until the last minute. Explore your options now and determine what financial vehicles will work best for you when it's time to make decisions. Most people choose a Registered Retirement Income Fund (RRIF) or an annuity to defer receiving income and paying the tax as long as possible.

RRIFs are growing in popularity because they tend to offer more flexibility and control. Managed carefully, RRIFs can also offer better protection against inflation.

Also, in a low interest rate environment (which can seriously impact annuity payments), RRIFs offer an attractive place to park your retirement assets until you're ready to make a decision.

For more information on tax-effective retirement, call Linda Passarelli or Dave Peters at their Royal Trust branches (787-0666 or 487-9141) or visit them at 1016 Eglinton Ave. W. or 421 Spadina Rd. on Monday to Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Avoid the clawback

Bear in mind, Old Age Security is now subject to a tax clawback if net income exceeds a certain threshold. There are ways to avoid or minimize the clawback. Focusing on family income instead of the income of individual spouses is a good tactic. Find out the ways that will work best for you.

Another tactic: don't automatically convert your RRSP as soon as you retire. People often have five to 10 years after retirement before they

Planning, contacts pay off for Kalles

"With more than 16 years of experience in real estate services, I'm a big believer in marketing plans, in using my personal contacts to market property over and above the capabilities of the Multiple Listing Service."

"I find the right buyer for the right house and the right house for the right buyer," says Harvey Kalles representative Noah Shopsowitz.

Shopsowitz's clients and their families have expressed a high level of satisfaction with his services. "There is a continuity between people you are acting for and family members. That good feeling is then translated to their families, which has brought a significant referral network," he explains.

Shopsowitz says he enjoys people most of all. "As far as I'm concerned, that's where the excitement is — the personal touch. It's not a bricks-and-mortar business, it's a people business.

"I enjoy being called by other agents who tell me what exclusive properties they have for sale."

He says that to be a good agent, one needs product knowledge — a knowledge that can come only from inspecting many properties. Shopsowitz inspects each property to make sure it meets the buyers' criteria.

Highly selective when showing houses to his clients, he takes them to a few houses only. That way he both markets properties effectively and avoids wasting his clients' time by showing them unsuitable properties.

Shopsowitz has a degree in architecture from the Rhode Island School of Design and a background in commercial construction — stores, restaurants, banks and office buildings. "Because of my background, I have an affinity with home inspectors. Many of them are architects, so I know what they're talking about," he said.

"I have a high regard for the home inspection industry because it protects the buyers."

Today's real estate agent must work with a lot of new situations, he points out. "The rules are changing, but they are changing for the better."

If the vendor's property is in poor condition, the first thing Shopsowitz would advise them to do is to improve the property. He emphasized that in today's market, with so many houses for sale, only the best presented properties are going to attract buyers.

He said there are people who have lost businesses and now find they need to get into new surroundings. Regarding his role in that situation, Shopsowitz comments, "I focus on the buyers and the sellers and help them build up strategies so they optimize benefit. I am sensitive to the real estate needs of people. I know there are people behind those houses."

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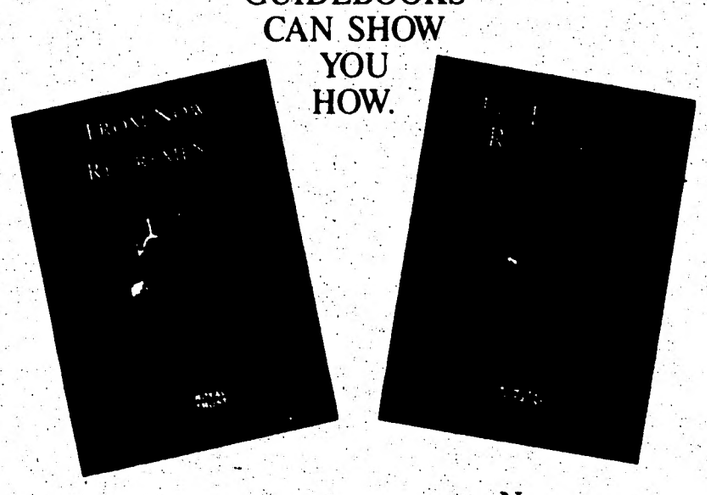

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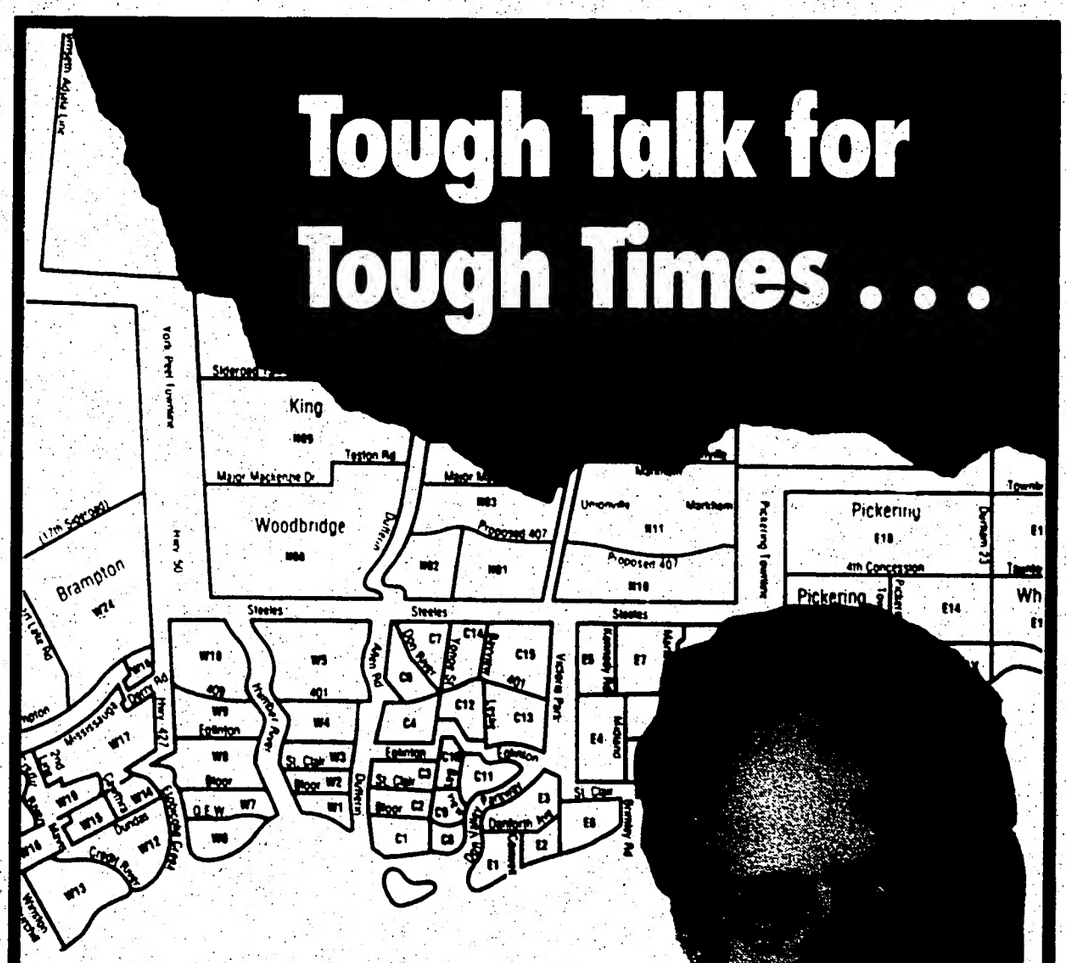

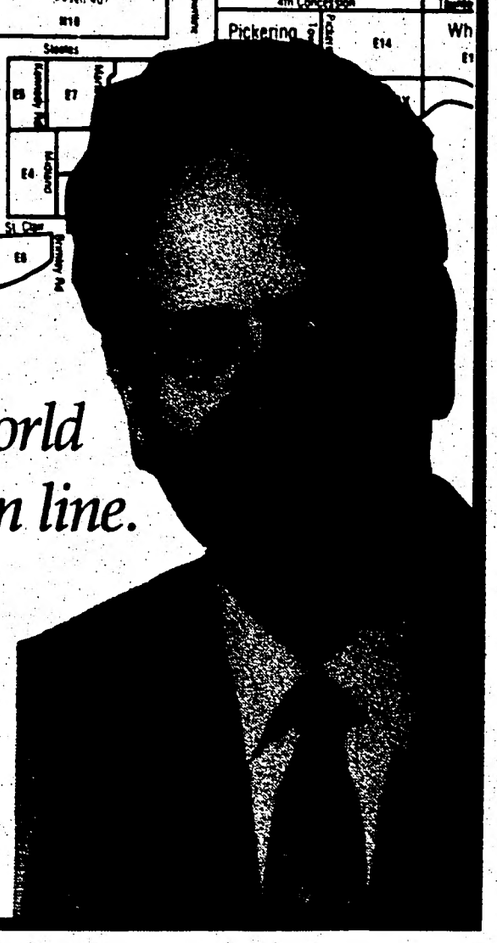

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Swimming keeps body healthy, in shape

Swimming is one of the most important exercises one can do. Apart from being recreational, it exercises most of the body's muscles and goes a long way to keep a person healthy.

That's why Eunice's Swim School teaches people of all ages — infants to adults — the necessary skills as instructed by the Red Cross swimming program.

There is no age limit to learning, in fact the younger the child the better. Karen Scott, daughter of owner Eunice Taylor, began instructing her 4-year-old at the age of three weeks.

Scott said by taking lessons a toddler who falls into a pool has learnt to tread water, get to the edge of the pool and climb out. "This helps to prevent drowning in any backyard pool.

"The first thing we teach any child is to feel comfortable and get over any fear they might have of water," she said. The water in the pool is always warm so "the kids don't mind putting their face in the water."

Eunice's Swim School teaches the Red Cross program from "Yellow" levels through to "White." At first a tot learns with its parents but, depending on how comfortable the child is, can learn without its parents at the age of 2 or 3.

The school teaches in semi-private groups of up to three children or in groups of up to six.

One program lasts 12 weeks but, depending on the child's skill, a child can progress to different levels in that time. For instance, a child who begins at the yellow level may end up in the red level by the time the 12-week period is over. "This is where we're different than other schools," Scott said. "We train each kid individually."

Once children have gone through the Red Cross program they can learn life-saving skills and get the Bronze Cross. This entitles a 17-year-old to work as a lifeguard.

This fall, Eunice's Swim School hopes to offer the National Lifeguard Certificate program.

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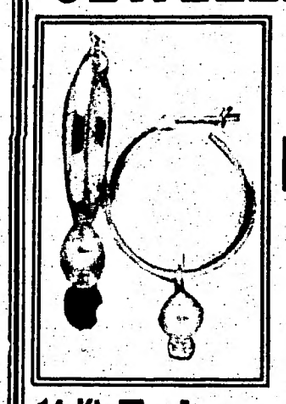

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Holy Land exhibit at shul

By CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

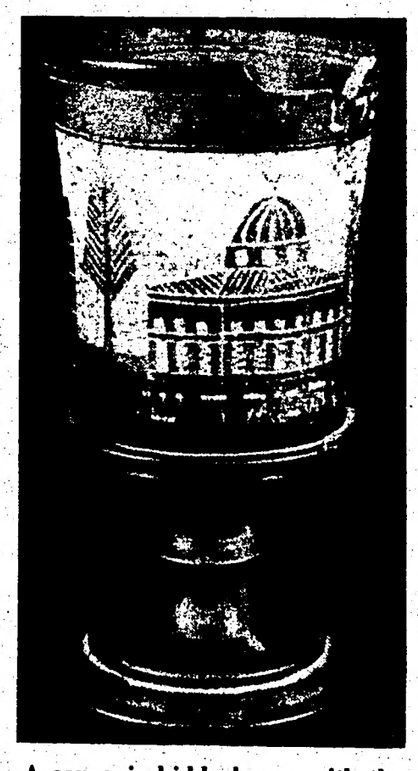
A collection of photographs, some dating back to the mid-19th century, artifacts from the Royal Ontario Museum, collectibles of yesteryear and modern utensils will be on exhibit at the Shaarei Shomaym Congregation, 470 Glencairn Ave. from Sept. 24 to October 22. The exhibition titled, The Holy Land Then and Now, has been mounted through the sponsorship of the Sam Kaiman Memorial Endowment Fund at the synagogue.

In the mid-19th century, with the development of the photographic process, photographers flocked to the Holy Land to capture exotic scenes, ancient ruins and artifacts that have become a rich and historical record.

More than a century later, in 1981 and 1982, Dr. David Tassel, a practising physician in Lexington, Massachusetts "in search of an historical-archeological second career," went to Israel and photographed many of the same places that had been photographed by 19th century photographers, Zangaki Freres, James McDonald, Frances Frith and Maison Bonfils more than a century before.

The exhibition at the Shaarei Shomayin features 47 pairs of photographs — the 19th century view and Tassel's recent photographs — which bear witness to continuity and change in the Holy Land from the 1860s to the 1980s. The early photographs are on loan from the Semitic Museum at Harvard University.

In the main lobby of the synagogue, six cases will display antiquities, many on loan from the ROM, covering the period from the Neolithic Age to the 15th century Medieval period. These will be paired with related modern contemporary pieces. Some of the ROM pieces are from excavations in Jericho and Jerusalem.



A souvenir kiddush cup with the Dome of the Rock and Hebrew lettering from the turn of the century is part of the Holy Land Then and Now exhibition.

There will be a display of utensils beginning with the chalcolithic prebiblical period of items such as flint cutting knives that will be on display with modern challah knives. There are also carrying vessels, lamps, kiddish cups, storage jars and other artifacts.

In conjunction with the exhibition, Shaarei Shomayim is sponsoring a public lecture series consisting of five Thursday night lectures on the Holy Land from the biblical period to modern times.

The curator of the Harvard Semitic Museum, Nitza Rosovsky, will give an Archeological Walking Tour of Jerusalem lecture on the opening evening and Tassel will speak about his photographs.

On Oct. 1, John Holladay, Professor of Near Eastern Studies at the University of Toronto will speak on Solomon in History, Lisa Golombek, a curator at the ROM and the historical exhibition chairman at the Shaarei Shoamayim will speak on Islamic Jerusalem on Oct. 8; and Douglas Engstrom who teaches classics at the Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto will speak on The Jewish Community of Rome — the Fate of the Temple Treasures on Oct. 15.

Architect and president of the Shaarei Shomayim, Philip Beinhaker, will speak on City Planning in Biblical and Modern Times on Oct. 22 which will be the closing event of this exhibition.

Cliff Goldfarb is the chairman of the Holy Land exhibition, Cookie Kay and Kitty Wintrob are co-chairmen of the opening events and promotion for the exhibition, Sharon Goelman is training the docents, and Suzanne Burger is co-ordinating school and group visits.

For more information on The Holy Land Then and Now exhibition, call the Shaarei Shomaying (416) 789-3213.

Books

By BERNARD BASKIN

The Last Tsar: The Life and Death of Nicholas II by Edward Radzinsky (Doubleday of Canada, $30.00)

On July 17, 1917, in a small Siberian city, Tsar Nicholas II, his wife, five children, family doctor and three servants were executed by Bolsheviks on orders from Vladimir Lenin. Thus, ignominiously, ended the 300-year-old Romanov dynasty.

Firsthand accounts filed at the time by some of the assassins reveal that, astonishingly, bullets bounced off the Romanov princesses. It was later discovered that their corsets contained the hidden crown jewels, about eight kilograms of diamonds that rendered the garments bulletproof.

Recent examination of the burial cave has revealed that two skeletons, those of the youngest children, Anastasia and Alexei, were missing. What happened to them remains a 74-year-old mystery.

In *The Last Tsar*, the author, a popular Russian playwright and trained historian, depicts in dramatic detail the final, poignant days of the doomed family — the confusion, intrigue and diverse personalities involved, as well as the profound social and political consequences that followed.

This many-levelled account, filled with new and arresting information, would have been impossible without glasnost which opened impenetrable archives and made available long suppressed information about how the royal family lived and died. The most important of these documents was the personal diary of the tsar, himself, which he began at the age of 14 and continued almost until the day of his death.

The charming, family-loving tsar was ineffectual, easily manipulated and fatalistic. His wife, the tyrannical, demanding and highly superstitious granddaughter of Queen Victoria fell under the malign influence of Rasputin, a Siberian peasant and mystic who seemed to possess healing and hypnotic powers. His beneficial treatment of the crown prince won him a disastrous hold over the empress. Surrounded by luxury and sycophants, the family was shielded from the widespread popular unrest, terrorism and eventual war of the period.

Unhappily, Nicholas was an anti-Semite who regarded the four million Jews of his realm (most resided in a ghettoized Pale of Settlement) as scapegoats in an elaborate power struggle. One of the author's sources indicated to him in discussing the events of Bloody Sunday, a 1905 demonstration which resulted in the massacre of over 1,000 peasants and workers, "The Jewish card got tossed in then, of course. They had always looked on the Jews as a pressure valve for popular tension, by organizing pogroms."

Count Sergei Witte, a court official, had urged the reactionary Alexander III, Nicholas' father, to treat Jews better. "Are you right to stand up for the Jews?" asked the tsar. Witte responded, "Can we drown all the Russian Jews in the Black Sea? If we can, then I accept that resolution of the Jewish question. If not, the resolution of the Jewish question consists in giving them a chance to live. That is, in offering them equal rights and equal laws." Later, when Witte became Russian premier, he pointed out that the state's persecution of Jews had turned a once docile people into revolutionaries including bombers, asassins and rioters.

The notorious forgery, *Protocols of the Elders of Zion*, which described a Jewish plot to achieve world domination, was the work of the secret police and political reactionaries. It was meant to discredit Russian liberals by associating them with Jews. To the chagrin of the plotters, the tsar, surprisingly, did not take the *Protocols* seriously.

This continually absorbing volume skilfully weaves together many strands, old and new, in a hauntingly personal narrative that brings to life the allure, decadence and demise of a powerful dynasty and the end of an era.

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School Ties probes ugly reality of anti-Semitism

Film

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Being the sensitive topic it is, anti-Semitism, American style, has studiously been avoided by the Hollywood studios. The one outstanding exception, of course, was *Gentleman's Agreement*, released in 1947.

But now *School Ties* has come along, a film which takes a serious — and disturbing — look at this perennial phenomenon. Scheduled to open at Famous Players theatres on Sept. 18, it deals with an insidious variety of anti-Semitism encountered by a Jewish student at an elite preparatory school.

While *School Ties* — directed by Robert Mandel and co-produced by Sherry Lansing and Stanley Jaffe — revolves around upper-class anti-Semitism, it also portrays, albeit fleetingly, the equally hurtful blue-collar kind.

Set in 1955, first in a grimy industrial town and then on the leafy grounds of a private high school, *School Ties* turns on the jolting experiences of David Greene (Brendan Fraser), an ambitious Jewish boy who's granted a football scholarship to attend St. Matthew's during his senior year.

Greene is an ace quarterback, and this in itself is interesting and ironic, given the canard that Jews are inept in sports.

The movie opens in Scranton, Penn., Greene's hometown, as he and his friends prevent a group of black-leather bikers from entering a local restaurant. Spying Greene, one of the bikers, apparently the product of a working-class background, lets loose with a stream of anti-Jewish invective.

Obviously inured to anti-Semitic taunts, Greene's father, Alan (Ed Lauter), later advises his son to "walk away" from such provocations. As Greene sets off for St. Matthew's, his father says in Yiddish, "Mein lieber kind, gei gehzunteheit." Then, in English, "Go, make us proud."

Having reached St. Matthew's, the football coach (Kevin Tighe) asks Greene solicitously whether he has any "dietary problems." We all knows what he means. But Greene does not observe the rules of kashruth, so the non-kosher food at St. Matthew's will pose no problem.

But that's the least of the coach's concerns. Alluding to what is really on his mind, he offers Greene well-meaning advice. "Don't tell people more than they really have to know."

A tall, strapping, handsome fellow, Greene soon comes face to face with the ugly reality of anti-Semitism at St. Matthews. "I jewed him down to $30," boasts one of the guys who shares the dormitory in which Greene will live for the next year. Greene, though shocked by the anti-Semitic terminology, remains silent, not even acknowledging his Jewishness. In the privacy of his room, he removes the golden Star of David chain around his neck.

Having been intimidated by the anti-Semitic atmosphere, Greene opts for self-denial rather than self-assertion. It is not an uncommon response. Greene wants to be one of the boys. He doesn't wish to jeopardize his scholarship, which, he hopes, will catapult him into Harvard.

David Greene (Brendan Fraser) dances with Sally Wheeler (Amy Locane) in School Ties.

Indeed, such is Greene's desire to "pass" that he ignores his father's request to forego a game on Rosh Hashanah. When the stern headmaster (Peter Donat) catches Greene chanting the holiday prayers in the chapel at night, he removes his kipa in great embarrassment. The headmaster rebukes Greene for being there, while oddly admonishing him for not having taken the day off. It's a mixed message, in keeping with the headmaster's ambivalence toward Jews.

School Ties reaches a crescendo when Greene's fairweather friend, Dillon (Matt Damon), discovers he's Jewish. Dillon, jealous that Greene has replaced him as team quarterback and angry that his girlfriend has forsaken him for Greene, takes his revenge.

Dillon, having previously confessed in a moment of weakness to being a "prejudiced prick," exposes Greene as a Jew. At St. Matthew's, Jewishness appears to be an unforgiveable offence. Greene is subjected to hateful, though anonymous, anti-Semitic barbs. And Greene's gorgeous blonde girlfriend (Amy Locane) rejects him.

The situation deteriorates further when Greene is falsely accused of cheating on an exam.

School Ties, with an eminently able cast and a credible script by Dick Wolf and Darryl Ponicsan, depicts the anti-Semitism of St. Matthew's without pulling any punches. It holds back nothing — not Greene's reluctance to acknowledge his Jewishness, not the deeply-ingrained anti-Jewish attitudes of the social milieu which will regard Greene as an outsider, nor the hypocrisy of Waspish society as it confronts a stranger in its midst.

At a time of growing racial intolerance in the United States, *School Ties* is a timely reminder that anti-Semitism is a persistent threat to American democracy. Thankfully, it has the courage, and the artistry, to come to grips with this most relevant of issues.

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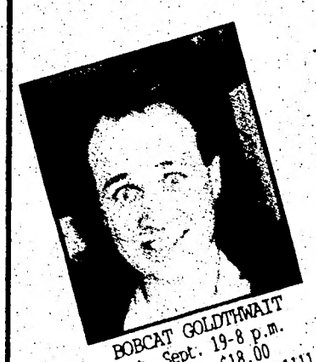
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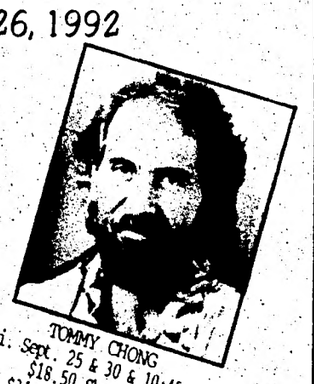
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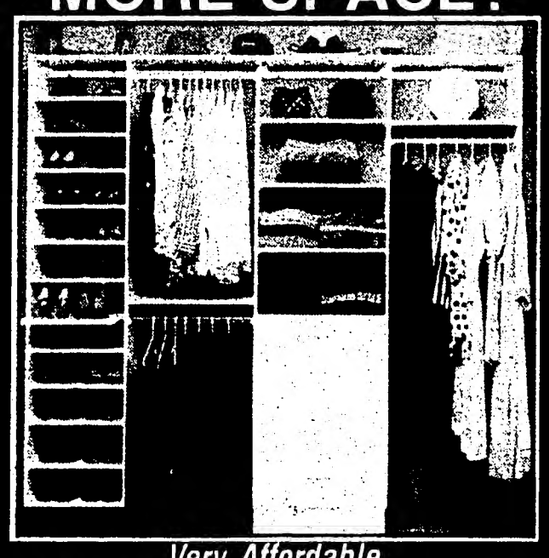

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Travel

Austrian towns reveal rich Jewish contribution

By BILL GLADSTONE

EISENSTADT, Austria —

Less than an hour's drive east of Vienna, in the low-lying Austrian province of the Burgenland, are a series of towns of special interest to Jewish travellers.

These are the once-famous Siebengemeinden, the seven noteworthy Jewish communities of Eisenstadt, Mattersdorf, Deutschkreutz, Lackenbach, Kobersdorf, Frauenkirchen and Kittsee. The largest and most significant is Eisenstadt, the provincial capital, in which a Jewish museum has been established in a house in the former ghetto.

The Austrian Jewish Museum in Eisenstadt is larger and far more impressive than its counterpart in Vienna. Of national scope, it attempts to convey the history of Jewish life across all of Austria from the Dark Ages to the present, paying full attention to the darkest and most cataclysmic age of all, the Nazi era.

A series of adjoining rooms contain an impressive collection of artifacts ranging from illuminated Jewish manuscript to Chanukah lamps to wooden models of historic synagogues. These items convey the richness of the former Jewish community, which had a population of about 900 at its height.

An actual synagogue on the first floor contains many genuine antique artifacts and is dedicated to the memory of Rabbi Samson Wertheimer (1658-1724), the illustrious sage who headed the local rabbinical court.

The original owner of the house in which the museum is situated, Wertheimer was regarded as a "gaon" or eminent scholar. Living in a province that was then under Esterhazy protection and officially part of Hungary, he was the chief rabbi of Hungary. As such, he was one of numerous celebrated luminaries who made the town famous as a centre of Torah learning and helped inspire its nickname of "Little Jerusalem." Others included Meir Eisenstadt (known as the Maharam Esh) and the German-born neo-Orthodox Rabbi Dr. Israel Hildesheimer.

Like the synagogue, which was damaged but not destroyed during Krystallnacht, the town's Jewish cemetery somehow survived the Nazi period. A key to the fence is available in the adjacent hospital. Considering they may be three centuries old, many of the Hebrew tombstones are remarkably legible. An eerie calm prevades the fenced-in enclosure where the stones lean this way and that amidst the tall grass.

Besides its rich history, Eisenstadt has a strong musical association. The composer Joseph Haydn (1732-1809) lived here for 30 years as the official composer of the Esterhazy court. His works are still regularly performed in Schloss Esterhazy, the palace that dominates the town. As castles go, however, the Burg Forchtenstein, situated on a dramatic hilltop a few kilometres away, is far more impressive; it is filled with tents, scabbards, armor and many other relics of the historic wars with the Turks in the 16th and 17th centuries.

Predominantly flat, the Burgenland contains Europe's only steppe-type lake, the Neusiedler See. Surrounded by reeds, the shallow, briny, spring-fed lake lies mostly in Austria, but its southern extremity protrudes into Hungary like the ungainly beak of a large waterbird. The lake is home to more than 250 species of waterfowl, many rare. The list includes the storks whose large nests atop chimneys in local villages like Rust and Oggau have become a symbol of the region.

Former Cold War adversaries, the Austrians and Hungarians are now working jointly to establish an international nature park around the lake. Recognizing the popularity and commercial potential of cycling, the Hungarians are preparing some 40 kilometres of bicycle paths to join the 90-kilometre network already in use around the Austrian part of the lake. Later this year, for the first time, marathon cyclists will be able to circle the Neusiedler See in a day.

Running through lush fields and picturesque vineyards, the bicycle paths on the Austrian side are a cyclist's dream. One sunny summer day, this writer cycled some 42 kilometres at a relaxing pace in only a few hours, including rest stops and an hour-long ferry ride across the lake at the border town of Morbisch.

Osterreichisches Jüdisches Museum in Eisenstadt

It was at Morbisch, only two years ago, that the Iron Curtain was breached and thousands of East German refugees poured across the border to freedom. Since then, the frontier has changed dramatically. The armed guards, lookout towers and barbed-wire fences of the Communist era are gone, replaced by a striped roadside barrier in the up position, offering cyclists and pedestrians free passage to the Hungarian towns of Fertorakos and Sopron nearby.

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Bangkok provides a home for diverse Jewish community

BANGKOK —
Sam Cohen, a petroleum geologist from Calgary, left Canada to work on a large oil field in the Gulf of Thailand about a decade ago.

When his contract expired during an industry slowdown four years later, he chose to remain in the bustling capital city of Bangkok, where a forest of cranes along the skyline suggests an astonishing rate of growth.

Now 66 and divorced, with several grown children in Canada, Cohen has done well as an independent oil-industry consultant and advisor to the Alberta government's Ministry of Economic Development and Trade.

"It's very exciting here," he says. "Things are really booming and terrifically busy. Whereas you go back to Canada and it's sad, stores are closing and there are bankruptcy sales everywhere."

Bangkok, a sprawling, congested metropolis of 10 million has a small Jewish community of no more than 40 families, or some 150 to 170 individuals. Many are transients, colored-stone dealers lured by the city's growing importance internationally as a gem and diamond-cutting centre. There are numerous Iraqi Jews here, some Israelis associated with the Israeli embassy, and a handful of British and North American Jews, many of whom are gem dealers, real estate developers or petroleum-industry engineers like Sam Cohen.

"As few Jews as there are here, there are two congregations," Cohen notes. "Isn't that typically Jewish?

Although neither congregation has held a rabbi for several years, services are held daily in the Iraqi synagogue and somewhat less regularly in the Ashkenazi shul.

Each Pesach, a large community seder at the President Meridien Hotel attracts many visitors as well as permanent Jewish residents. The city also has a Jewish community centre where visitors may stay and eat kosher in a country that thrives on shrimp, pork and fish dishes smothered in oyster sauce.

"Many Jews contact us when they pass through," says Margaret Cane, an active member of the community association who arrived here seven years ago from London, England. "Many Orthodox Jews won't eat anywhere else, so they stay with us. We never turn anybody away."

"It's an exciting place to live," says Ruth Gerson. "There's so much happening, and you get to meet people from all over the world." Ruth's husband is Michael Gerson, a 50-year-old Bangkok-born civil engineer and the current head of the community association. His parents were among the first Jews to settle here after they arrived from Russia around 1920.

"There may have been a few Jewish families here back in the last century, but none of their descendants remained," he says. "When my parents established themselves here, there was just a handful of Jewish families. We're the oldest Jewish family in Bangkok."

A more recent arrival is Uzi Manor, Israel's ambassador to Thailand, who arrived just 18 months ago after serving in a similar capacity in Sri Lanka and South Korea.

Israel has no official diplomatic relations with Vietnam, Cambodia or Laos but "we do hope to have them in the near future," says Manor. "We've had a full ambassador in Thailand for more than 35 years. The relations between our two countries have always been good."

Manor also expresses hope that commercial relations between Israel and Thailand, which he estimates at only $150 million per annum, will increase. Chemicals, canned food, gems and irrigation equipment and machinery are among the items Israel currently exports to Thailand.

Manor says he likes Bangkok very much. "The city is developing rapidly. You can see the change every day. Most of the high buildings you see here are new. Almost every building over five stories is less than five years old."

Born to Jewish parents in Nova Scotia some 40 years ago, Dr. Jeff Chernin is a medical officer with Health and Welfare Canada, stationed with the Canadian Embassy in Bangkok. His job takes him to Vietnam, Bangladesh and Burma, where he provides medical care to Canadian government officials. He's been in Asia for the past nine years.

TRAVEL TALK

By
LEN BUTCHER

I'm back. It's been a few weeks since my last column and I must say, it's created havoc here with **Wendy**, our receptionist. The switchboard, she said, lit up with calls concerning my column. Okay, except for my mother, they wanted to congratulate **The Canadian Jewish News** for finally showing good taste and getting rid of that jerk (meaning me), but that's the way it goes when you expose yourself to the public.

Unfortunately, for those critics, I'm like the proverbial bad penny, so let's get on with it and I'll bring you up to date on what's been happening in, and out, of the world of travel.

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Word out of **Washington** says that the **B'nai B'rith Youth Organization (BBYO)** has established a program for youths and adults to celebrate their bar/bat mitzvahs at the ancient synagogue in **Masada.**

The 15-day program runs from Dec. 21 through Jan.4 and will include a combination of touring, hands-on exploration and education. Each bar/bat mitzvah youth will be offered this opportunity free of charge when accompanied by a full-paying adult, compliments of the **BBYO** and **Israel Identity tours, Inc.** As well, the bar/bat mitzvah will receive free membership in **BBYO Teen Connection**, a youth group for Jewish teens in the seventh and eighth grades.

This sounds like a great way to celebrate a bar/bat mitzvah and certainly one that will always be remembered. Plus the fact that it helps **Israel.** So call **Arnie Sohinki** in **Washington** at (202)857-6633 or write **Family Adventure to Israel**, c/of BBYO, 1640 Rhode Island Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20036 for all the details and an application form. But do it now. Dec. 21 isn't very far away and I want to hear all about it when you get back.

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And while I'm talking about **Israel,** let me tell you about some renovations taking place and a new hotel which has opened in one of my favorite spots, **Eilat.**

The **Eilat Princess**, at a cost of more than $70 million, has 17 floors (with ceilings), 418 rooms, including two presidential suites and eight international suites with **Chinese, Japanese** and other themes. No mention was made of an **Italian** theme, but I'm sure that was an oversight. Or maybe they just don't want me going there. What do you think?

Among the eight restaurants in the hotel, there is a **Creole** and a **Japanese** kitchen, as well as a **Bavarian** beerhouse. There is also a state-of-the-art disco, which cost $1.5 million (for that much money **John Travolta** should give free dance lessons). Other facilities include five swimming pools with water falls connected by water slides and adjoining tunnels; an outdoor Jacuzzi, two tennis courts, a children's pool, three sports arenas and a shopping centre. You may never want to go home. Check it out on your next trip to **Israel.**

The **Knesset Tower** in **Jerusalem** has changed hands (no mean feat when you're a hotel) and as of Jan. 1, will be known as (drum roll, please) the **Jerusalem Paradise Hotel.** It will undergo a $4 million renovation to include 235 rooms, a health club, gym, sauna, pool, tennis courts and indoor parking.

Ruth Ben-Tsur, the **Israel Government Tourist Office's director for Canada,** says the new property and widespread renovations on existing hotels are part of the ministry's agenda for expanding the tourism market to **Israel.**

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Business Outlook

A local businessman's venture succeeds in Israel

JERUSALEM —

When Montreal businessman David Azrieli told friends that he was going to build shopping malls in Israel they tried to scare him off with "horror" stories about the Byzantine snares of Israeli bureaucracy.

Charity is one thing, they said, but investing in Israel could turn out to be one huge headache.

Azrieli was not to be deterred. "Every country has its bureaucracy," he says, "and the less help you want the less bureaucracy you'll encounter." So he didn't ask for anything.

Azrieli went ahead and built Israel's first and largest mall, Canion Ayalon, in Ramat Gan, near Tel Aviv, then he built a mall in Beersheba, and he is now building the huge Jerusalem Shopping and Entertainment Center, the largest in the country, at an investment of $80 million.

The new mall, which will open in the spring of 1993, is situated in the Manhat neighborhood, near the new Teddy Kollek Stadium, the soon to be completed Jerusalem Biblical Safari Park, and the planned technology park.

Azrieli, the first man who thought of building shopping malls in Israel, coined the Hebrew word "canion" for shopping mall by combining the verbs for shop and park.

At 100,000 square metres the Canion Jerusalem Shopping and Entertainment Center will not only be the biggest in Israel, but in the entire Middle East. Azrieli dismisses any comparison with other Jerusalem retail buildings, not just because of size, but because of the new mall's uniqueness.

"Any capital city would be proud to have such a mall," Azrieli says. "The mall will merge the modern shopping centre and Jerusalem's special qualities. Its unique architecture will express the color and lights of Jerusalem, particularly when it comes to the skydomes of two light blue shapes, which achieve the play of light."

Azrieli also emphasizes the curtain wall on the south side of the mall, which overlooks a lovely ravine and the Judean Hills. One hundred twenty six, or 85 percent of the mall's area, have already been leased. Azrieli has no doubt that occupancy will be 100 percent when the centre opens, and that there will be a waiting list of those wanting to participate.

There will be a bank, eight cinemas, restaurants, cafes, and fast food outlets. The Anchor stores are Shekem, the CO-OP Supermarket and the Hamashbir Lazarchan chain. The country's best stores will be represented as well as Jewish entrepreneurs from abroad.

Azrieli, an architect by training, is a hands-on businessman from the planning stage to the selection of lessees.

"Tenant mix is very important," he says. "We don't accept everyone. We won't have a plethora of tobacco and newspaper stands, or felafel vendors." There will be high fashion stores and an elegant atmosphere. Azrieli believes that prices will be competitive since shoppers will just have to cross the corridor to compare them.

He wants shop window displays to be of a high standard, so that "the merchant shows he cares and wants you as a customer."

Azrieli's Canit Management Investment and Financing Ltd. is also planning a shopping mall complex in Haifa, which will include above and over the 17,000 square metres of mall stores, about 7,000 square metres of office space and a transit station for intercity transportation lines.

Canit is also putting in a bid for the construction of the Shalom Center, which will be the largest complex in Tel Aviv.

A former officer in the famed Seventh Brigade in Israel's War of Independence, Azrieli has more than just a philanthropic interest in Israel. Israel provided him with life and a home after he escaped from the European inferno of World War II.

He was not satisfied with just donating money to Israeli educational and charitable institutions. He wanted to help build the country and provide jobs for thousands of people.

Many of the 2,400 construction workers at the Manhat site are recent immigrants from the Commonwealth of Independent States (the former Soviet Union). And after completion, Azrieli says, the mall will provide an income for 1,600 families.

Furthermore, Azrieli wants to foster the Israeli economy by importing western business methods, for which he is eminently qualified after building eight successful shopping malls in Canada and the United States.

"I believe that our shopping malls introduced a number of innovative concepts in Israel. Merchants have learned to concentrate on the business of selling, leaving the real estate to the developers. They have accepted the idea of a mutually beneficial relationship with the developer and the benefits of a shopping centre. The real estatee and financial institutions of the country also accepted North American ideas of financing based on rental income."

Azrieli's Israeli enterprise is proof that investors can make money and provide jobs; that despite the "shocking" bureaucracy and the reserve duty which takes men off their jobs he has always kept to a timetable and opened as planned.

Azrieli is helping to build the country, but he has hardly neglected his charitable obligations. He is a major benefactor of the Technion, Bar Ilan University, Hebrew University, Yeshiva University, the Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design, Concordia Univertsity, and many other local and foreign institutions and organizations. He is also a major benefactor of Jerusalem's Sarah Herzog Memorial Hospital (formerly Ezrat Nashim).

Fisher Fremont looks at travel

By JOSEPH SERGE

Lying on a beach is out while going on a safari is in, says the owner of Fisher Fremont travel agency.

"Vacationers aren't going over and plunking themselves on a beach," says Shelly Fremont. "They're looking for adventure vacations."

While people may still go to the Caribbean, some opt to go further south to the mysterious Galapagos islands. "Or they go to Africa on a safari or trekking. If they go to Australia or New Zealand they choose hiking or white water rafting packages.

People want to do things, they don't want to stay put lying on a beach," especially now that the sun is dangerous, she adds.

Fremont says the political climate has created new vacation spots. "There are more countries open now and people should visit them while they're still open."

The fall of the Iron Curtain has a lot of people going back to discover their roots. "It is a unique and different experience," she notes. "People go back to where they were born and find that very much has changed."

For those who like relaxation and luxury, there is an alternative to hiking, climbing and canoeing. "Cruising has become the most popular form of vacation," she says. "It is mindless. You wake up every day in a new place, there's no packing and you can get to more places in the shortest time."

The recession has affected the travel business, just like most others. "People are choosing their trips carefully," Fremont explains. "They're a lot more careful with their travel dollar and hope it goes further."

Elaborate trips

Of course not all people are feeling the pinch. "Our clientele doesn't wait until the last moment and doesn't want to take any chances," she says. "Some people still plan expensive and elaborate trips."

If anything, Fremont notes, Desert Storm, the Persian Gulf War, affected Fisher Fremont more than the recession. "During the war the Middle East market (of which Israel is a major seller for Fremont) dried up. Six months after the war one saw the difference in revenue. Business has picked up."

Fremont says the key to survival in any business is efficiency. "We provide service that is unmatchable," she explains. "We pay special attention to personal preference and detail."

Most of Fisher Fremont's clients are repeat customers. "We remember what they want," she adds.

"There is no changeover in our staff. Those who come to work here end up staying. There's a great deal of pride in what we do," she says.

Fisher Fremont was opened by her father Martin in 1964. She took over the reins when her father died in 1981. "My father left me an opportunity not a guarantee. I took a good thing and made it better," she concludes.

Balanced portfolio lowers the main risks of investing

Every investor's dream is to find the "perfect risk-free investment" — but does it really exist? To answer this question we must first determine what type of risk we are speaking about.

Essentially, there are five types of risk associated with investing. They are:

- Market Risk — this is the inherent risk of owning assets in a particular market.

Market risk is influenced by such factors as inflation, recession, and others which affect all market assets simultaneously;

- Business Risk — this refers to the risk associated with a particular company and the business they are in.

Factors which influence business risk would include the ability of management, product demand, and others which affect either the company alone or the general industry in which it participates;

- Purchasing Power Risk — this represents the risk that inflation will reduce the purchasing power of your money over time;
- Interest Rate Risk — the changing of interest rates over time can result in a risk for anyone reinvesting their money at a rate lower than was available in the past;
- Liquidity Risk — this refers to the ease and speed that you can convert your investment assets into cash at a reasonable price.

Let's examine a popular investment product, the Guaranteed Investment Certificate, a fixed income security, in relation to its risk profile as shown above.

Many consider the GIC to be a risk-free investment. After all, it is issued by a bank or trust company and is guaranteed by the government through the Canadian Deposit Insurance Corporation (CDIC). These facts, however, only eliminate market and business risk.

The key risks faced by the GIC investor are purchasing power risk, interest rate risk and liquidity risk.

Many today are increasingly becoming familiar with interest rate risk, also known as reinvestment risk. Within the past five years we have seen interest rates on five-year GICs as high as 13 percent. Today they are closer to 6.5 percent, a decrease of 50 percent.

Put another way, if you depend on interest income from 5-year GICs and yours are coming due now, you will be faced with upwards of 50 percent less income than you were receiving before their maturation. And this is before tax!!!!

Suddenly this risk-free investment is not so risk-free.

Have you ever tried to cash in a GIC before maturity? Often you can't because the institution does not permit early redemption. Those institutions who do, often do so at a substantial penalty.

The point here is not that GICs are bad investments. Under certain conditions they are well suited. The point is that we can not delude ourselves into believing that this is a risk-free investment.

In fact, a comparison of investment assets shows that all asset groups are exposed to one type of risk or another. A risk-free asset is nothing more than an illusion.

Therefore, it is necessary that you make prudent choices, managing the various risks identified when making investment choices. This is possible by using a balanced portfolio approach. By balancing the type of assets held in your portfolio, you will be able to manage each of the risks of investing.

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Antique store rich in family history

By BRUCE PARKINSON

TORONTO —

It is said that fine wine improves with age.

If that's the case, then the vintage proferred by Gary and Richard Wine in the antique store that bears their great-grandfather's name must be nearing ambrosia status.

Louis Wine Ltd. today finds its home on 140 Yorkville Ave., in a tony area of Canada's largest city. The history of the company however, can be traced across the Atlantic Ocean and back 110 years in time.

Great-grandfather Louis escaped to Ireland from Russian-held Lithuania in 1879, in the company of his father Solomon. The young man began his working career in Dublin, selling tea from a donkey-drawn cart. When a large company began pushing individual vendors out of business, Wine sold his inventory, donkey and all, and boldly put all the proceeds into a single piece of porcelain.

When Louis quickly found a buyer for the piece at twice what he paid for it, he had discovered his vocation.

For the next century, the reputation of the Wine family of Dublin grew, especially among silver collectors, who flocked to the store looking for new pieces and expert advice.

While the store's selection and the expert knowledge of the proprietor built a strong reputation, Louis assured himself of a place in Irish history when he was able to purchase from private hands the Galway sword and mace, 17th century Irish treasures which had made their way out of the country.

A public subscription allowed the Irish government the funds to return the cultural icons to their rightful place.

Gary and Richard Wine moved the business to Toronto in 1981. Increasingly, their clientele came from Canada and the United States, so they felt a base here would make more sense. It also allowed the brothers an opportunity to view collections and estates here "that haven't been seen by the whole British antique market."

"There isn't the same amount of choice here, but it's all fresh choice," says Gary. "There still are occasions where people have no idea what they've got, but the public is much more educated today and there are fewer cases of hidden treasures."

Sitting in their Yorkville store, with Richard ensconced in the same chair his great-grandfather sold from in Dublin, the brothers talked about how they got into the business. It wasn't a natural progression. Their father hadn't chosen the fine antique business as his profession, and it didn't look like they would either.

The Wine brothers are pictured here in the family antique boutique, Louis Wine Ltd.

"If we visited the store half a dozen times as kids I'd be surprised," says Richard. "But after trying other things, we decided to get into it. We started in the basement of the store, cleaning and slowly worked our way up to the retail level. Handling the large inventory was most important. No amount of books will teach you the actual feel of a piece. You can almost hear it speaking to you."

Gary and Richard's grandfather Harry took over the Dublin store from his father Louis. Harry's knowledge of silver was the stuff of legend. "You could almost blindfold our grandfather, give him a piece of silver and he could tell you when it was made and who made it. Being immersed in that atmosphere was a wonderful learning experience," explains Richard.

Today, Louis Wine Ltd. is more diversified than in the past. While about 60 percent of the business is still seeking out and buying pieces for collections, Gary and Richard now have to concentrate more on the commercial market. Walk-in business is what pays the rent.

As well as the antique silver pieces, jewelry, art nouveau and art deco objects on display in the store, the company also offers appraisal services, extensive repairs and restoration and custom jewelry design (a certified gemologist works on the premises). Customers can register at the store for their wedding and the Wines will import modern flatware for them.

The Wines also host courses and seminars on antique silver and jewelry, introducing interested parties to the styles and periods of the Georgian and Victorian era.

The antique business has grown very modern in recent times. On computer the Wines keep a customer request database. Using the same machine they can keep tabs on what's available in the U.K. and European markets and also view lists of stolen goods to avoid making a bad purchase. Many of their sales are made through faxed photographs of the object.

Buyers include both collectors, who are purchasing for the intrinsic beauty of the objects as well as the value, and investors, who build some antiques into their portfolios because they rarely drop in value and usually provide a solid return over time.

For anyone interested in pursuing the collection of silver pieces as a hobby, the Wines have some advice.

"Good quality early 20th century silver is the investment of the future," says Gary. "It's still undervalued and a lot of the great makers of that time are not yet appreciated. Flatware will always be an investment and antique silver jewelry, especially signed pieces, are investment potential."

Each year the Wines hold an exhibition in December when they pull some treasured pieces out of hiding and display them at the store. This year will be more special than others, as they celebrate both their new premises and the 110th anniversary of Louis Wine Ltd.

Longevity builds trust in the antique business, and trust is crucial to success. Both Gary and Richard are disappointed that some "occasional" dealers — who do specialize in antiques — have sullied the reputation of the profession.

"The credibility of antique dealers has been ruined by dealers who mark up high so they can come down. We don't do that. We mark a fair price in a competitive market and stick to it. We've lost a few sales because of that, but more and more we've gained clients," says Richard.

"To this day, in 110 years, there has never been a sale on our stock. These things cannot be replaced."

Trust comes over time, but it's also an instinctive thing, and it doesn't take much instinct to recognize the Wine's love for what they do. The fact they weren't pushed into the business by their family is probably a good thing, because when they did decide to join, it was a free choice. Now there is no turning back.

"We breathe, sleep and are immersed in our business. It's in us for life," says Gary.

Recession helps train entrepreneurs

TORONTO —

Believe it or not, now is a good time to start a new business.

"The best time to start a new business is during a recession, because people start on a shoestring," explains Eli Pollak, a management consultant. In a recession people get used to cost controls so that when time are better they are able to sail through."

Pollak, who was born in Budapest, will be sharing his expertise with new immigrants to Toronto who want to learn self-employment survival skills. He will be part of a new program suited to their needs, slated to begin in September.

The self-employment course, run by the Jewish Vocational Service (JVS), is supported by the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto, Bequest and Endowment Fund, a department of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto.

Pollak has over twenty years experience in Canada in the areas that include project management and planning, budgeting, cost control, scheduling and computer-integrated program management. In addition, he speaks Hungarian and understands Russian.

A senior member of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers since 1972, Pollak's involvement in the new program will be in the area of business management consultation.

"I will help them organize a business plan in a way that is acceptable by the bank," he explains. "They will need to learn business accounting in a computerized, sophisticated North American way."

Michele Gervais, a professional trainer is the other JVS staff member on this project. She is a workshop leader, consultant and writer who develops the skills, the expertise and the confidence people need to make informed choices about their work life. She has recently published *Whistle While You Work: How to Find the Perfect Fit Between You and Your Career*, a career planning workbook.

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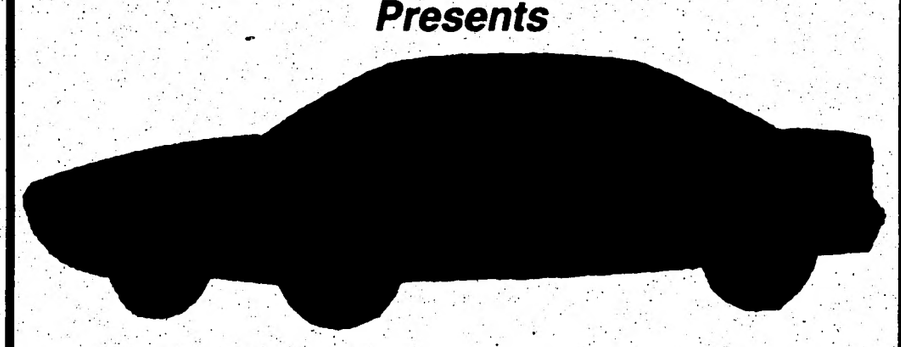

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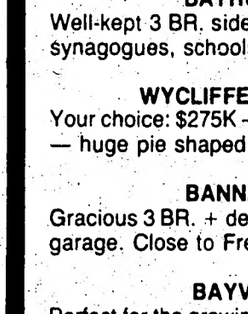

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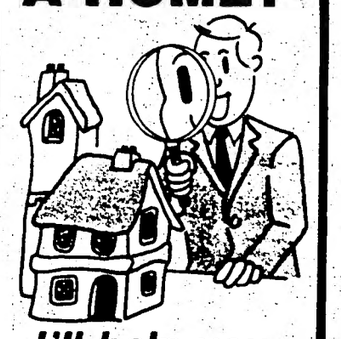

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BENJAMIN'S PARK MEMORIAL CHAPEL

56 Unveilings

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of late **Aaron Nagel** will take place on Sunday, September 20, 1992, 1:15pm, at Mt. Sinai Memorial Park, Sunnyside Lodge Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 11685

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late
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The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
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The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
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The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
DIANA KUDLATZ ז"ל
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Pardes Shalom Cemetery
Community Section
Relatives & friends are invited to attend.

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
LILLIAN BURKE ז"ל
will take place
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Women's courses at Aish HaTorah

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Meeting the demands for quality Jewish adult education has always been Aish HaTorah's goal.

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"We call it the Learning Centre," says Nancy Friedberg, one of Aish's volunteer teachers. "Its goal is to present a forum for women to grow in knowledge and in Jewish identity."

It was decided to choose one day, every Wednesday, as the designated day for Jewish learning. The Village Shul, at Bathurst and Eglinton, was chosen as the ideal site.

"We wanted to create a place where interested women can meet to learn, challenge and socialize in an atmosphere that is open, friendly, non-threatening, and intellectually stimulating," says Friedberg.

Classes are being offered for women at every educational level. A strong effort was made to present high level learning in a way that is accessible even to beginners. The series was designed as a seven-week program with hand-picked teachers.

"We have some dynamic women teaching, as well as rabbis who have that special flair that it takes to connect with intelligent and questioning women. Each teacher posesses tremendous knowledge and insight in their areas of expertise. We wanted the cream of the crop, and I think women attending this series will be very pleased," says Rabbi Ahron Hoch, director of Aish HaTorah.

Beginning each Wednesday at 9:45 a.m., the Learning Centre will offer a full day of classes that women can pick and choose from. They include: Self Actualization in Judaism, Perspectives in Spirituality in Classical, Medieval and Modern Literature, The Parsha Comes Alive, and more.

Midday there is More than Lunch, a light bite offered for just $6 in a relaxed, social setting. The "more" part is a group discussion facilitated to share thoughts, insights and reactions to the issues and ideas of the day.

The seven-week learning series for women begins Oct. 27 and runs every Wednesday through to Dec. 8th at the Village Shul, 884 Eglinton Ave., just west of Bathurst. The cost is $40 for one class, $70 for two, $100 for three.

Also in the works is "Woman to Woman," a one-day seminar to be held at a downtown hotel sometime this fall.

For those who require more unique learning, the Learning Centre has a mentor program, matching inquisitive students one-to-one with a more Jewishly knowledgeable woman of a simular age or interest level. Learning partners can meet in each other's homes or at the centre at a time convenient to them.

In addition to the all-day Wednesday program, there will be an evening series on Tuesdays beginning Oct. 7.

Continuing in last year's tradition, the very successful Women's Lunch and Learn program will recommence. Once a month, an informative stimulating lecture will be presented in an informal setting following lunch at the home of a gracious hostess. The first in the series is scheduled for Thursday, September 17, titled "Understanding Why We Are Standing: Making the Holidays More Meaningful." The following three lectures focus on the delicate balancing act women face in today's world. The nominal fee for the lunch and lecture is $8.00.

For more information about all of the above mentioned programs and more, contact Ann at 636-7530.

New Alzheimer's drugs help slow down disease

TORONTO —

Significant advances are being made in developing new drugs which could slow the cognitive decline of Alzheimer disease. Tests on animal models conducted by a reaearch team at the University of Toronto have shown that the drugs are able to rescue damaged neurons that are in the process of dying.

"If what we have done in animals can be replicated in humans, this would mean Alzheimer patients who were declining to the point of dependency could be brought back to the state of functioning independently," said Dr. William Tatton, who is leading the research team at the university's Centre for Research in Neurodegenerative Diseases. "In effect, the drugs would rescue damaged neurons in the brain and possibly also in Alzheimer victims, slowing down — and in some cases reversing — some of the effects of the disease."

Based on Tatton's work, safe effective drugs are in development and undergoing testing. Clinical trials will also be necessary, he emphasized.

While the new drug gives hope, Tatton stressed that it will not provide a cure for Alzheimer disease. "The drug could slow the death of nerve cells and restore damaged cells, but it won't stop the cause of the disease," he said.

Alzheimer disease is a progressive, degenerative disease which attacks the brain. It begins with the loss of memory and ends with inability to recognize loved ones or control bodily functions. The fourth leading cause of death in Canada, it affects about 300,000 Canadians.

Supported by the Alzheimer Association of Ontario and private funding, the Centre for Research in Neurodegenerative Diseases is dedicated to identifying causes of and developing treatments for Alzheimer disease and related conditions.

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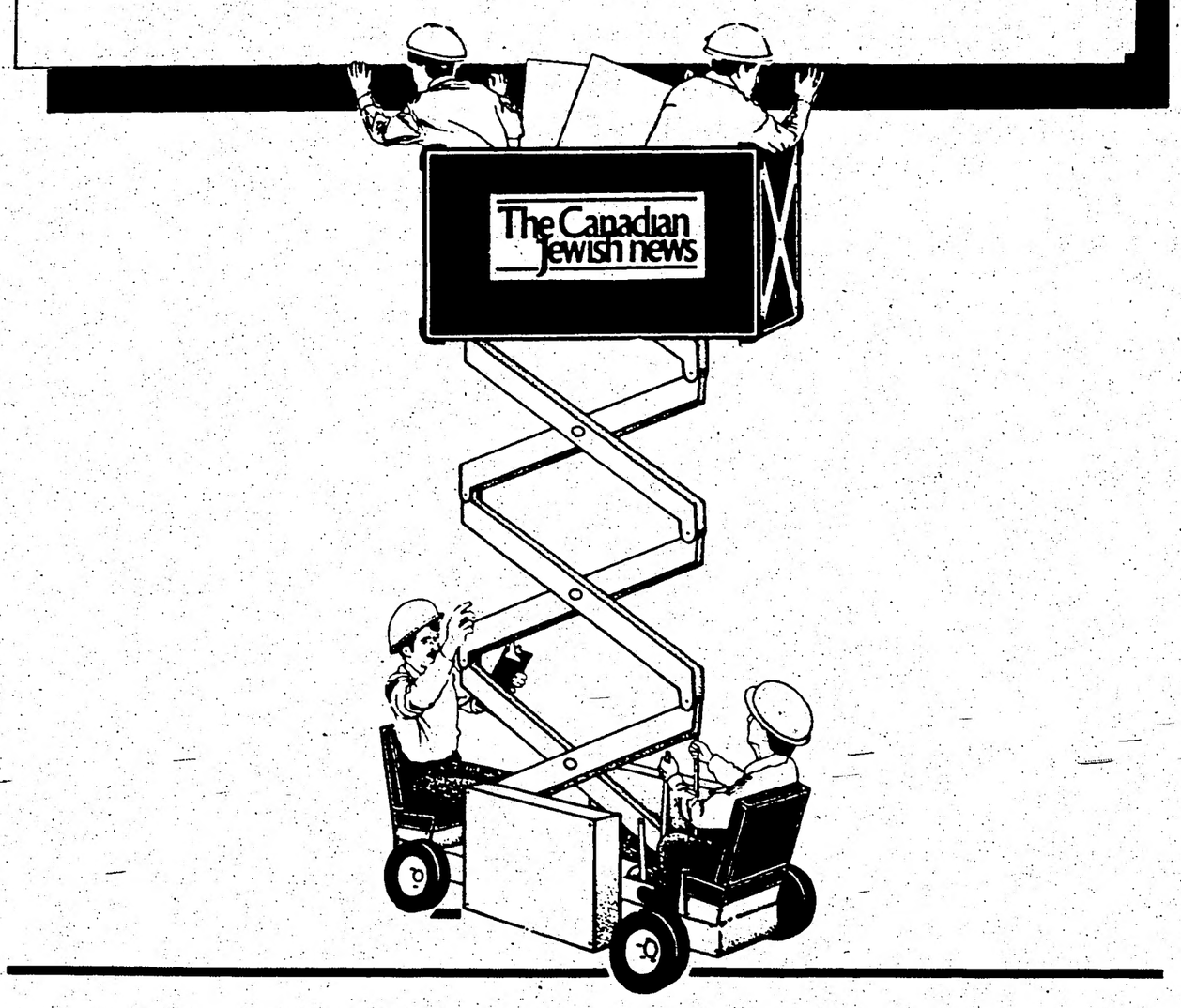

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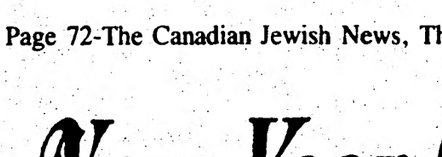

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EMUNAH WOMEN OF TORONTO is celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of its founding. In 1942, two Religious Zionist groups, Mizrachi Women and Hapoel Hamizrachi Women, established national volunteer organizations in Canada. By 1984 they had merged and had become EMUNAH WOMEN OF CANADA, with forty-five chapters in nine cities and a head office in Montreal.

Emunah means *faith*. The women of EMUNAH have faith in Torah Judaism and in the establishment of the State of Israel as the dawn of redemption. Their goal is to spread and strengthen the ideals of Torah Zionism, and to foster strong Jewish identity here and in Israel. They are also mindful of the faith that so many of Israel's people place in them as sources of aid with dignity, love, and Torah values; for EMUNAH makes a vital contribution to the educational and social fabric of the State.

The wisdom of EMUNAH lies in its deeds. And its deeds are counted in children's villages, day care centres, and drop-in centres for new immigrants as well as for the neglected, the troubled and the abandoned. They are counted in programmes and services for Russian and Ethiopian immigrants – Brit Milah ceremonies, Bar and Bat Mitzvah programmes, language training, and courses on the Land of Israel and on Jewish tradition. They are counted in technical and vocational schools, community colleges, and teacher training programmes. And they are counted in women's literacy programmes and educational and family counselling services.

EMUNAH WOMEN OF CANADA is a founding member of WORLD EMUNAH, an umbrella organization which, from its headquarters in Jerusalem, unites Religious Zionist women in twenty-three Western countries. In recent years, WORLD EMUNAH has also reached out to provide educational and cultural activities in Moscow and other cities of the former Eastern Bloc. In Israel, EMUNAH is the third largest volunteer women's organization, praised and respected for its compassionate work in education and social services. It recently received the President's Award for its magnificent work in the absorption of new immigrants.

EMUNAH WOMEN is blessed with the energy and resourcefulness of its volunteers. It is fortunate in the responsiveness of Toronto's Jewish community. And it is committed to an ever-increasing level of dedicated service. May EMUNAH WOMEN continue to be known for its deeds, and may its wisdom endure.

WE ACKNOWLEDGE WITH THANKS THE FOLLOWING GREETINGS:

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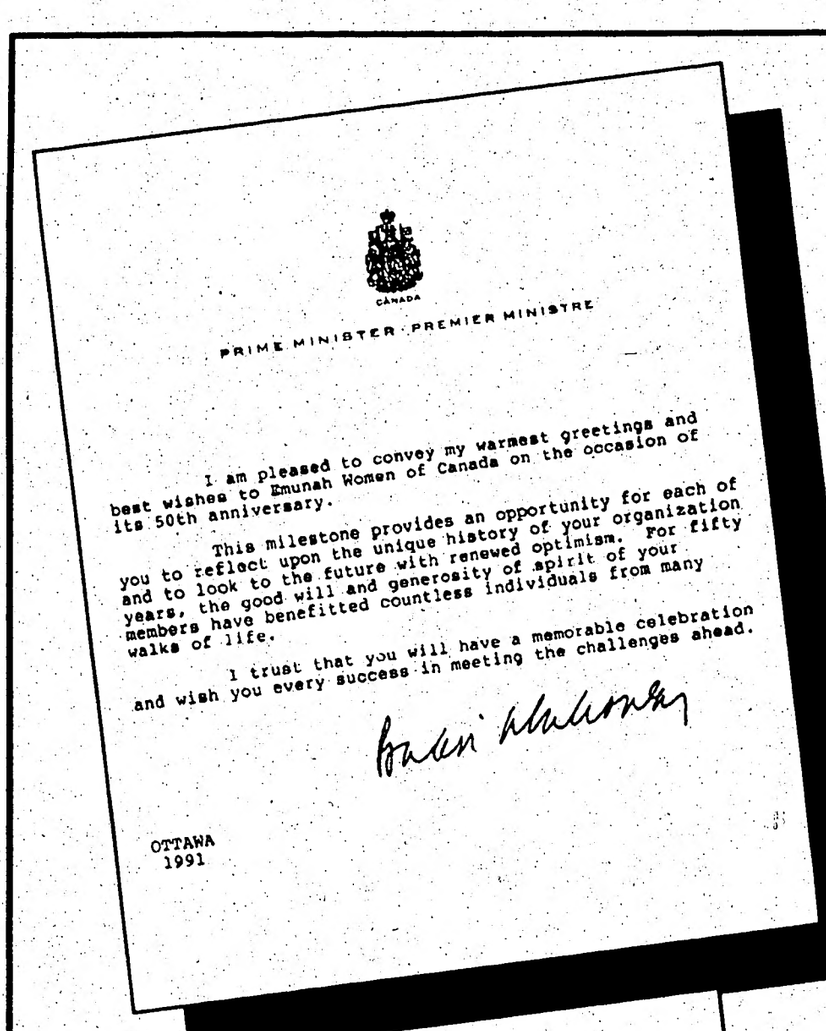

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I am pleased to convey my warmest greetings and best wishes to Emunah Women of Canada on the occasion of its 50th anniversary.

This milestone provides an opportunity for each of you to reflect upon the unique history of your organization and to look to the future with renewed optimism. For fifty years, the good will and generosity of spirit of your members have benefitted countless individuals from many walks of life.

I trust that you will have a memorable celebration and wish you every success in meeting the challenges ahead.

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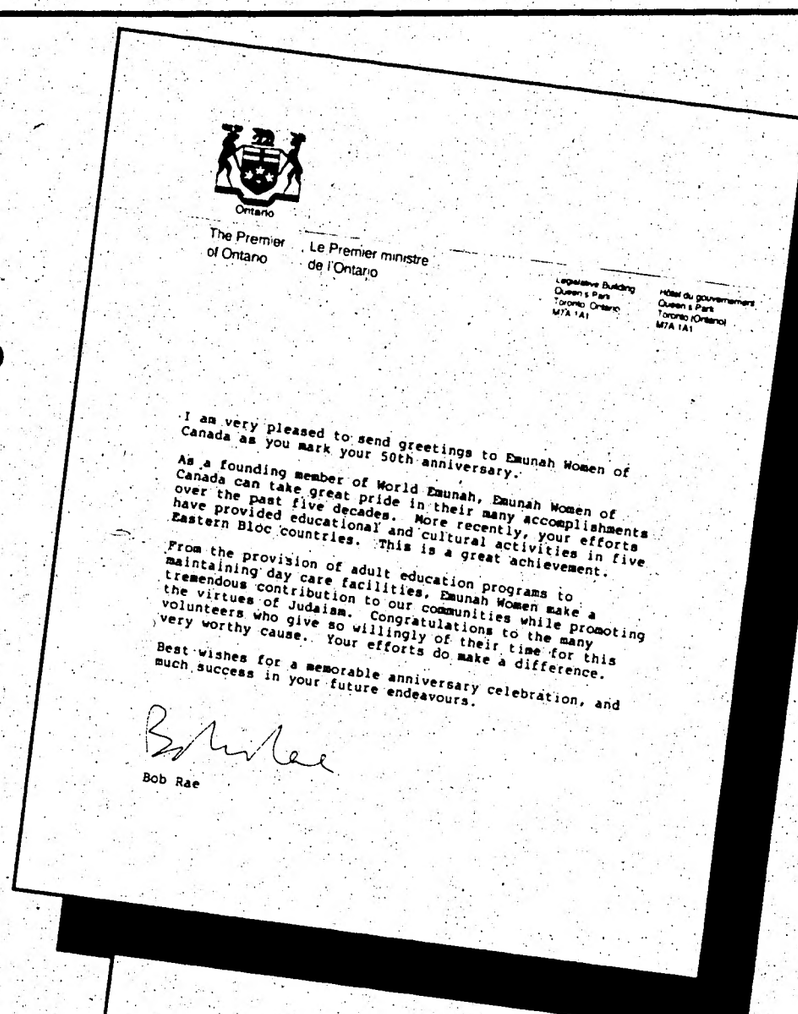

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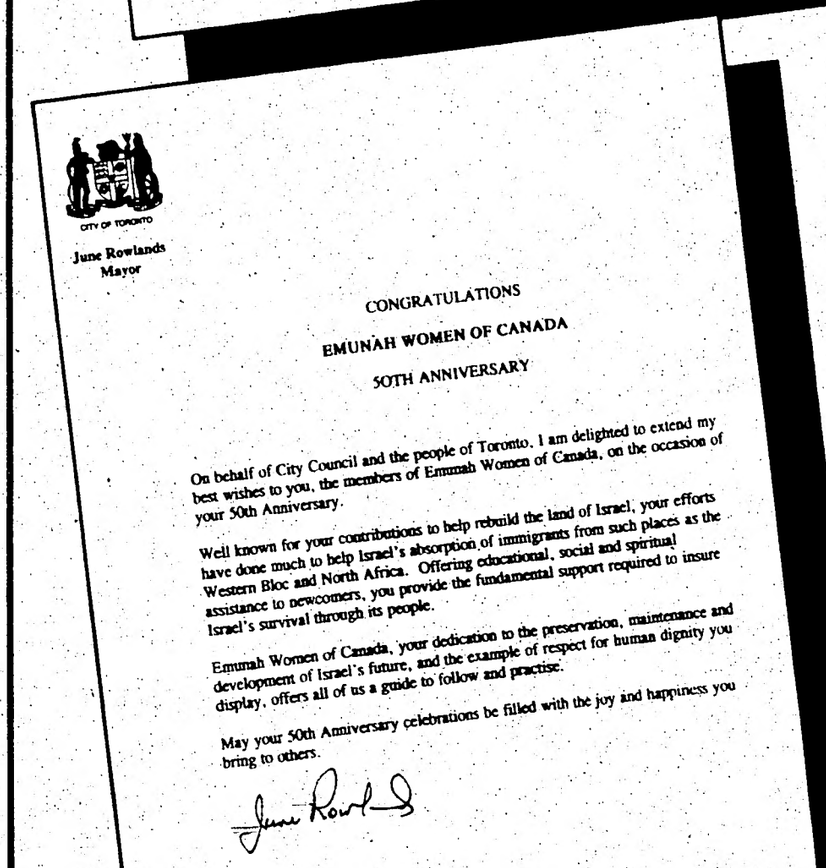
As a founding member of World Emunah, Emunah Women of Canada can take great pride in their many accomplishments over the past five decades. More recently, your efforts have provided educational and cultural activities in five Eastern Bloc countries. This is a great achievement.

From the provision of adult education programs to maintaining day care facilities, Emunah Women make a tremendous contribution to our communities while promoting the virtues of Judaism. Congratulations to the many volunteers who give so willingly of their time for this very worthy cause. Your efforts do make a difference.

Best wishes for a memorable anniversary celebration, and much success in your future endeavours.

Bob Rae



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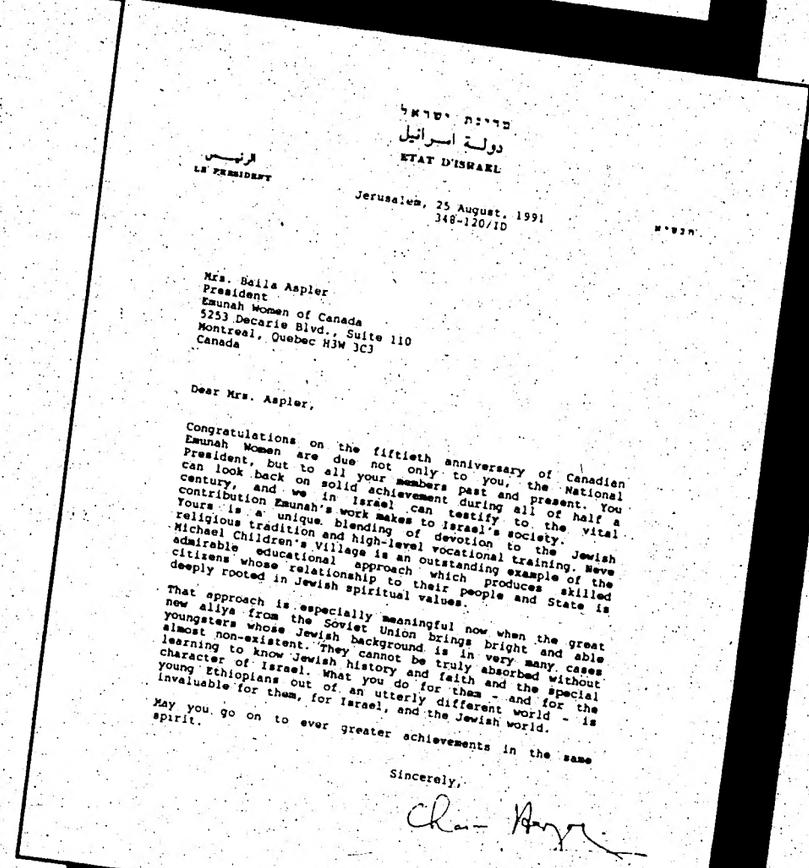
50TH ANNIVERSARY

On behalf of City Council and the people of Toronto, I am delighted to extend my best wishes to you, the members of Emunah Women of Canada, on the occasion of your 50th Anniversary.

Well known for your contributions to help rebuild the land of Israel, your efforts have done much to help Israel's absorption of immigrants from such places as the Western Bloc and North Africa. Offering educational, social and spiritual assistance to newcomers, you provide the fundamental support required to insure Israel's survival through its people.

Emunah Women of Canada, your dedication to the preservation, maintenance and development of Israel's future, and the example of respect for human dignity you display, offers all of us a guide to follow and practise.

May your 50th Anniversary celebrations be filled with the joy and happiness you bring to others.



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Dear Mrs. Aspler,

Congratulations on the fiftieth anniversary of Canadian Emunah Women are due not only to you, the National President, but to all your members past and present. You can look back on solid achievement during all of half a century, and we in Israel can testify to the vital contribution Emunah's work makes to Israel's society. Yours is a unique blending of devotion to the Jewish religious tradition and high-level vocational training. Neve Michael Children's Village is an outstanding example of the admirable educational approach which produces skilled citizens whose relationship to their people and State is deeply rooted in Jewish spiritual values.

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May you go on to ever greater achievements in the same spirit.

Sincerely,

CHAZAK V'BARUCH

TO

THE HONOUREES ON EMUNAH WOMEN'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

SYLVIA ZEIFMAN – My Wife and my best friend

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Our Four Generation Volunteer Family of the Year.
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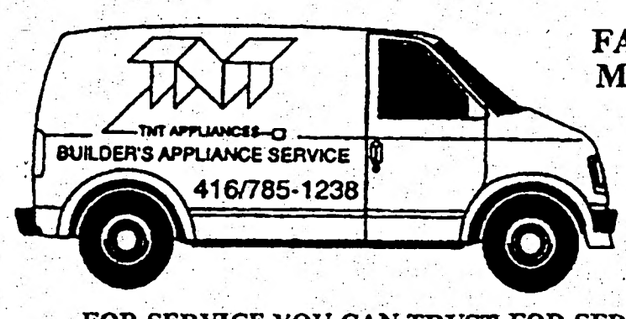

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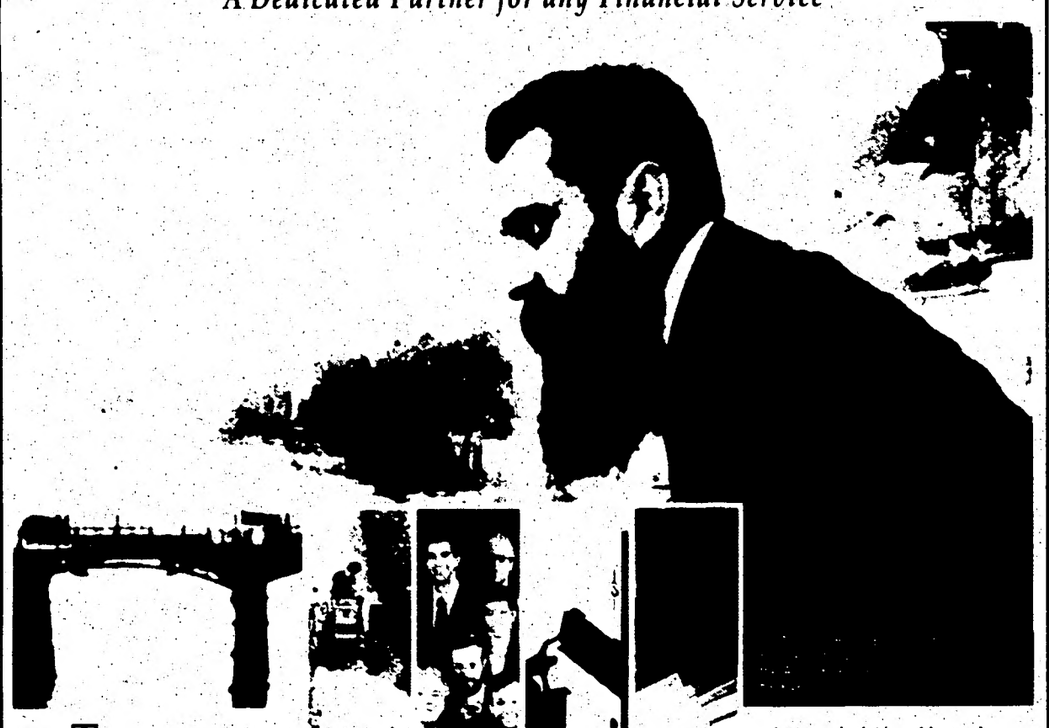

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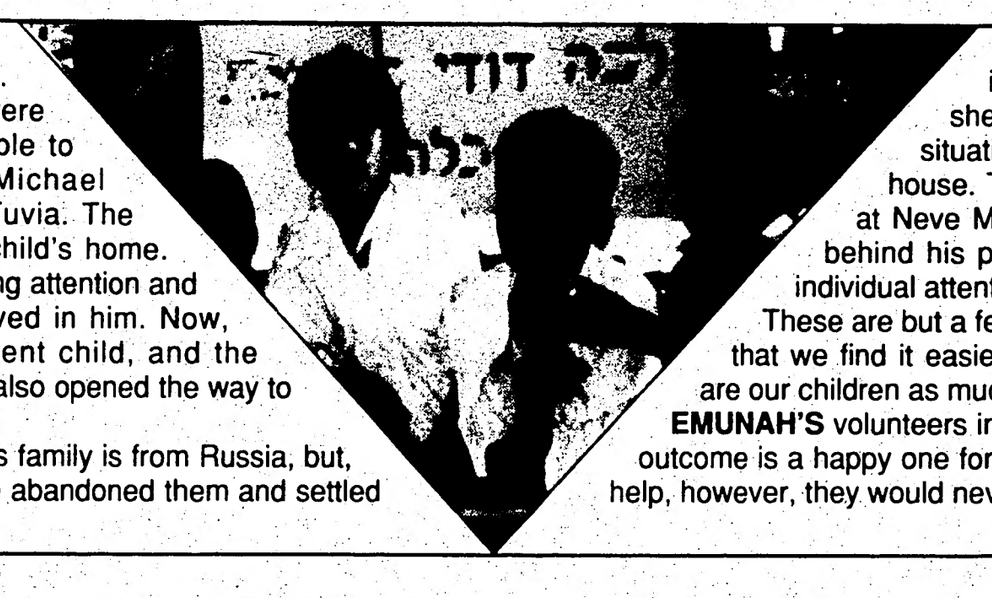

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Teknion President **Monty Brown**

Teknion is Canada's fastest growing office furniture systems manufacturer.

The Toronto-based company has, since the completion of its first year in business, grown at an average rate of 60% per year, or a total of 2200 % since the end of 1984. What's even more remarkable is this growth was achieved at a time when other Canadian furniture makers were struggling to survive. Part of the Global Group, Teknion employs nearly 500 people at its two plants in Canada and Israel, and at its sales offices in the U.S., Britain, and Australia.

Teknion produces high quality office furniture systems designed for companies that want to create attractive, office spaces, but don't want to incur the expense and permanence of traditional construction. These systems of dividers, with attached desktops, drawers, shelves, and filing cabinets, can be found in the offices of large corporations the world over.

Monty Brown credits much of the company's success in its first ten years to the unique design of its products. Teknion's panel systems are made up of panel components that join together to form walls of any height or width. Through the use of this panel system, Teknion was able to provide its customers with more options in defining floor plans and in the arrangement of furniture inside each workstation. This flexibility helped win Teknion a $20 million contract from Boeing Co. of Seattle –Teknion's biggest order ever.

Along with innovative designs, Teknion has established a reputation for quality. This emphasis on quality started when Mr. Brown, a mechanical engineer by training, took over the running of the company in January, 1983. "When I took over," Mr. Brown recalls, "the project manager and his team of designers had worked for three years only to produce a prototype product that was structurally unsound. It was simply not marketable. We had to redesign it to make it stable. By June we had produced our first units and made our first sale." After

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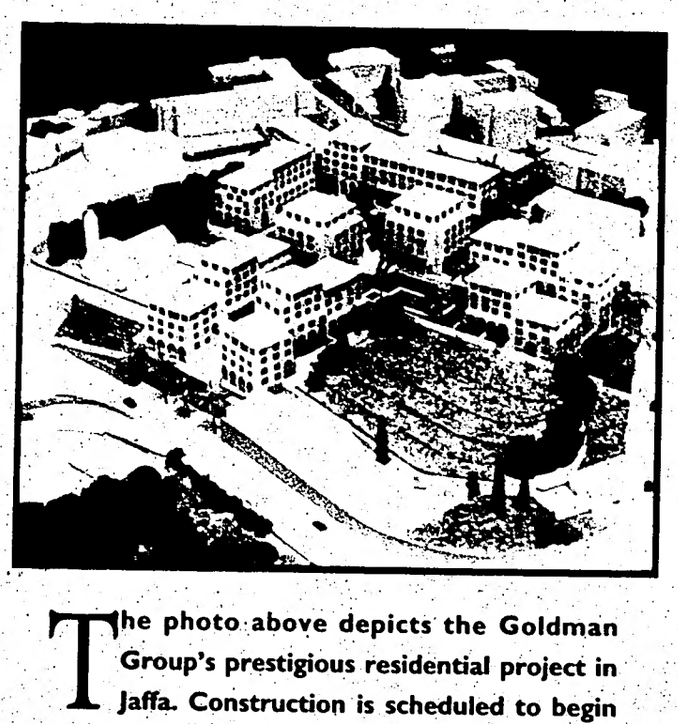
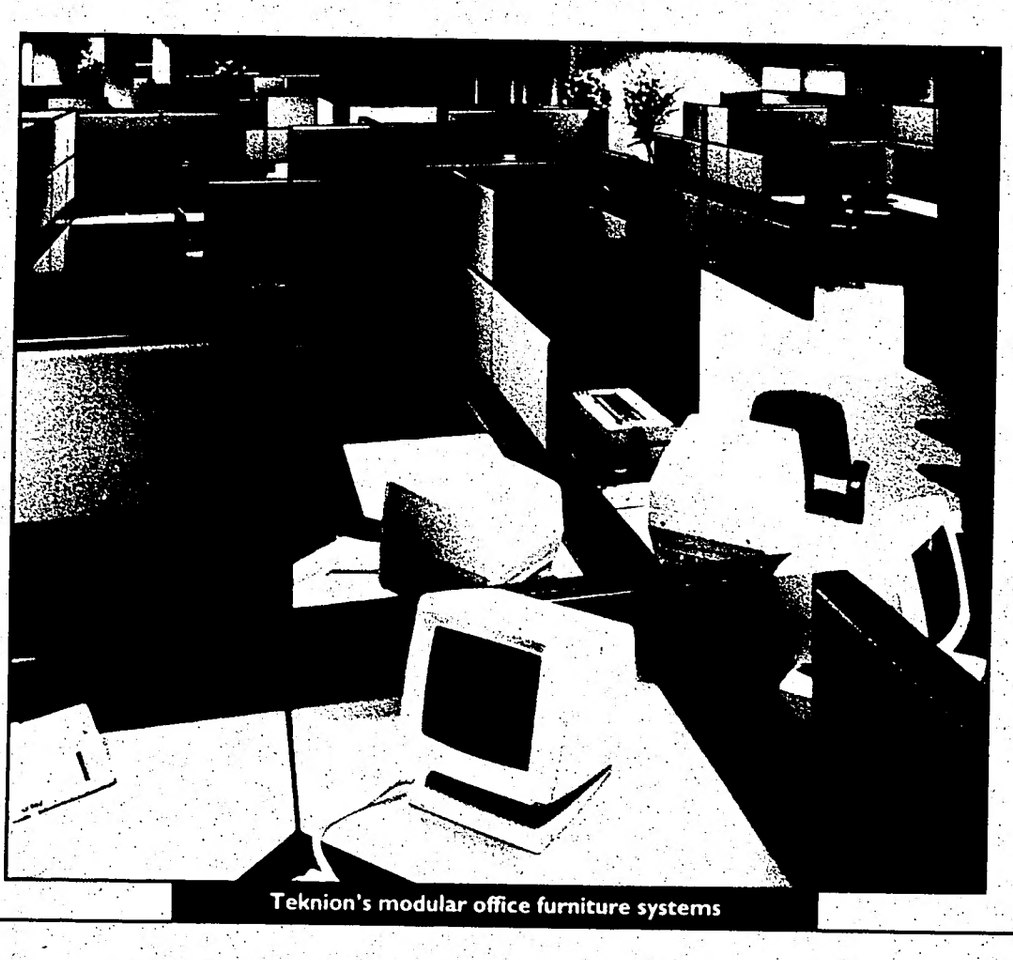


The photo above depicts the Goldman Group's prestigious residential project in Jaffa. Construction is scheduled to begin in early 1993. Consisting of 270 apartment units and approximately 10,000 square feet of retail space, the project is situated on a hill right above the old port and across the street from the old city of Jaffa.



Teknion's modular office furniture systems

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CANADA-ISRAEL BUSINESS BRIEFS

CICC President
David Goldstein

The Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce hopes you enjoy this issue of Communique and that you find it informative.

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Naot Comfort Sandals

Naot comfort sandals from Israel, imported by Solemates Inc., have been enthusiastically received by Canadians countrywide. From the initial summer season of 1990, when Corinne Lissoos and Sandy Galet opened a small retail outlet on Eglinton Avenue (and sold 800 pairs), the company has moved into the wholesale market. 1992 sales are approaching the 20,000 mark. Customers include Capezio and Brown Shoes, who share Solemate's pride in the sucess of this quality Israeli product. Naot sandals are worn with socks well into the autumn and a line of closed shoes and boots are being introduced so that barefoot comfort will soon be available all year round.

For further details contact Solemates at (416) 782-4596

Quebec Government Mission to Israel

Quebec's International Affairs Minister, John Ciaccia, led a May mission seeking to strengthen economic ties with Israel. Leading a delegation including Quebec business people, the mission focused on joint ventures in the areas of electronics, medical equipment, lasers, aeronautics and telecommunications. The trip followed in the wake of last year's successful Quebec economic mission to Israel in which the focus was on biotechnology. The May mission was organized by the Canadian Embassy in Israel and the Israeli Consulate-General and economic mission office in Montreal.

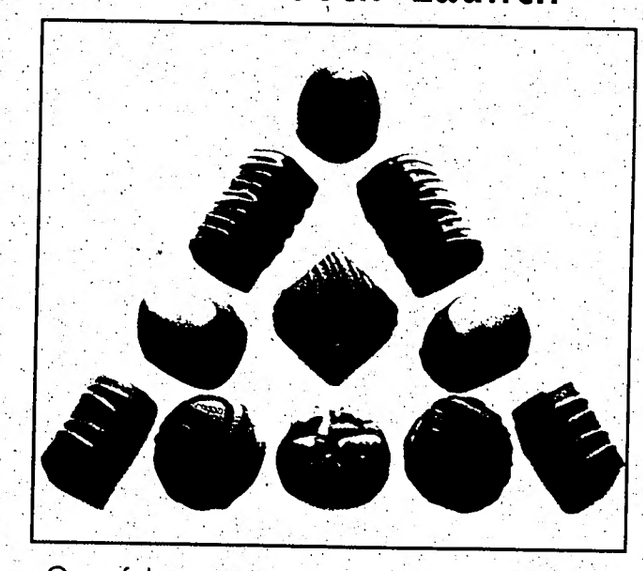
"Israel Means Business"

Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce members were honoured by Toronto's New Leadership Division of State of Israel Bonds as part of New Leadership's "Israel Means Business" campaign. The Bonds program recognized Canadians who have made investments in Israel or are involved in active trade. The honourees were Leon Koffler of Super-Pharm (Israel) Ltd.; Paul Lowenstein and David Baskin of Evergreen Canada Israel Investments; and Robert Eli Rubinstein of Canadel Developments.

Frozen Vegetables Hot

Israeli frozen vegetable producer Miloutal has signed an agreement to sell $2 million worth of its frozen vegetables to two Canadian food industry giants, Pillsbury and McCain. Miloutal's marketing will be handled by Israel's Tnuva and the Canadian firm Foodclub. In 1991, Miloutal shipped 5,000 tons of frozen vegetables to Canada. Miloutal is a subsidiary of Miluouot, a food-processing cooperative of 26 kibbutzim and moshavim in the western Galilee.

Sweet Tooth Launch



One of the most innovative Israeli Chocolate manufacturers, Rose of Galilee, will be made available at stores across Canada. Rose of Galilee bases its recipes on Swiss technology and exports its products to several European countries the U.S. and Australia.

For further details contact: Robert Silverman, Canadian Marketing Agent. Phone: (416) 633-8090

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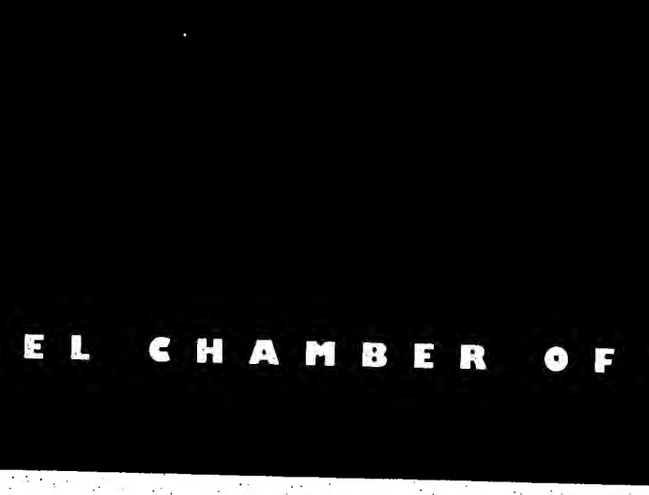
Bronfman Sells Teva Shares

Claridge Israel, affiliated with the Charles Bronfman group, has sold 15 million shares of Israel's Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. The shares, valued at $29 million, represent some 4.8% of Teva's equity. Since the cost of the shares when acquired in 1988 was $6.2 million, the sale is estimated to have generated a profit of some $20 million. After the sale, Claridge continues to hold a 3.4% stake in Teva, whose shares are publicly traded both in the US and on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange. Teva, which manufactures and markets a vast array of pharmaceuticals, hospital supplies and health-related products, had 1991 revenues of $300 million, with exports to 50 countries.

Spicy Hot Venture

Canadian investors in Cham Foods (Israel) Ltd., which produces egg products, vegetable and fruit pastes, and grows and dehydrates spices, recently inaugurated a joint-venture with Maryland-based McCormick & Co. Inc., the world's largest dried spice operation. Cham's spice production facility is located in Meron, in the northern Galilee. McCormick has agreed to buy 170 tons of dried parsley annually. Cham's total annual exports in 1991 were $7 million, out of a sales turnover of $14 million. The plant employs 200 workers, of which one quarter are new immigrants. Among the seven Canadian investors in Cham are Phil Schwartz and Toronto developer Alex Grossman, who serves as Cham's chairman of the board.

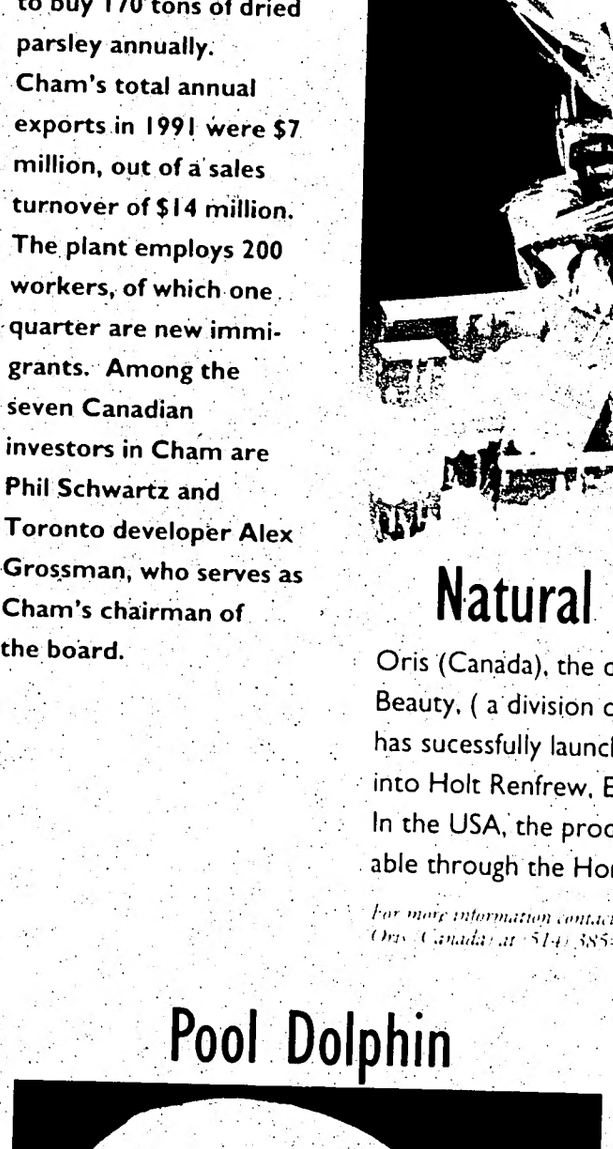


Natural Sea Beauty

Oris (Canada), the distributor of Natural Sea Beauty, (a division of Osem Foods of Israel) has sucessfully launched their Dead Sea line into Holt Renfrew, Eaton's, The Bay and Sears. In the USA, the products will shortly be available through the Home Shopping Network.

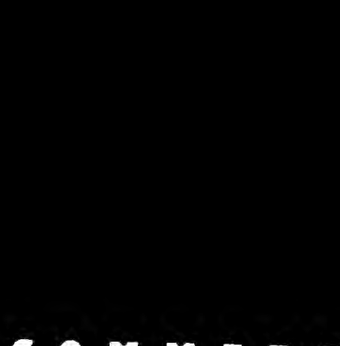
For more information contact Oris Canada at (514) 385-1501

Pool Dolphin



The "Dolphin" is a compact computerized pool cleaner that works without attachments or special installations. The product of Israeli technology, the "Dolphin" scrubs, vacuums and filters any size or shape pool. It can climb side walls, scrub the waterline and filter out debris, reducing the load on the pool's main filter. The unit's computerized control system allows it to determine and navigate its own cleaning pathways.

For further information, contact Maytronics Aqua Robotics Inc. at (416) 785-7191.



by Benjamin Rubin

There is a growing recognition of a new way of structuring the relationship between Israel and the Diaspora-the business connection.

The new way requires putting aside some out-of-date assumptions-that you can't make money in Israel, that the only, or best, way to help Israel is through philanthropy. There is now a general awareness that many of the challenges facing Israel in the 90's require business-like solutions.

Canadian trade and investment strengthen Israel by creating jobs, generating profits and funding taxes. Whether the task is absorbing Soviet Jews, providing Israelis with a higher standard of living or maintaining strategic staying power, a dynamic economy is the key

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Teknion Plans European Growth from Israel

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that, Mr. Brown set in motion a quality program that resulted in Teknion's Toronto plant becoming one of the first in Canada to be certified as complying with the International Standards Organization's (ISO) 9002 standards for total quality manufacturing systems.

Can Canada Compete ?

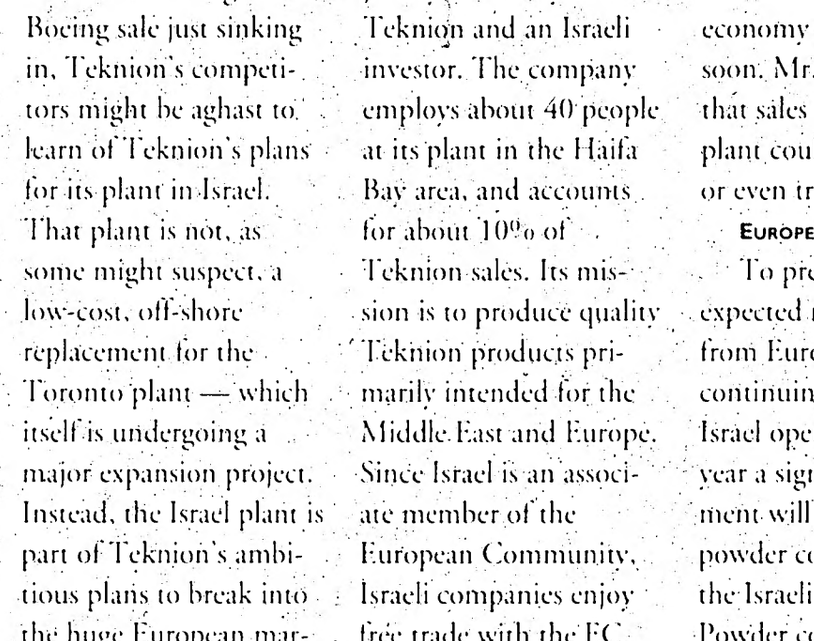
In terms of sales, Teknion is still a relatively small player in the $3.5 billion North American market for office furniture. This point was made in a recent article about Teknion featured in the Globe And Mail newspaper in its series "Can Canada Compete?". The article, praising Teknion's growth and success, characterized Teknion's plans to join the top 5 industry heavyweights as a "brash ambition" for a company Teknion's size.

Teknion's ambition has finally caught the attention of its much larger US competitors. These giants of the office furniture business were shocked to learn of Teknion's sale to Boeing. One company, Steelcase Inc. of Grand Rapids, Michigan, with $1.8 billion in sales, was motivated to issue a 'reward' to its sales people for the capture of "Terrible Teknion". Steelcase presented the offer on a special poster featuring the face of a dangerous-looking, pistol-brandishing bandit name Teknion. This poster is framed and proudly displayed at the entrance to Teknion's showroom.

Europe via Israel

With the sting of the Boeing sale just sinking in, Teknion's competitors might be aghast to learn of Teknion's plans for its plant in Israel. That plant is not, as some might suspect, a low-cost, off-shore replacement for the Toronto plant — which itself is undergoing a major expansion project. Instead, the Israel plant is part of Teknion's ambitious plans to break into the huge European market for office furniture.

Teknion's Israeli operation, called Teknion International, produces the same product line as its Canadian parent. Dealing either in shekels or ECUs



Loading Area at Teknion's Haifa Bay Manufacturing Facility

(European Currency Units), the plant acquires most of its raw materials in Israel and Europe, and sells its products in countries such as Israel, England, France, Hungary, Ireland, Holland and Turkey. None of its production is sold in North America.

Teknion International, founded in 1989, is jointly-owned by Teknion and an Israeli investor. The company employs about 40 people at its plant in the Haifa Bay area, and accounts for about 10% of Teknion sales. Its mission is to produce quality Teknion products primarily intended for the Middle East and Europe. Since Israel is an associate member of the European Community, Israeli companies enjoy free trade with the EC. This gives the Israel plant a significant advantage over companies exporting from the US or Canada.

The volume of sales to Europe has, disappointingly, levelled off after a period of rapid growth. The slump is partly due to the magnitude of the European recession, which is only now hitting its peak. It is also due to the especially poor economy in Britain, where Teknion had expected to see its greatest short-term growth. Despite the sluggish sales, Teknion is convinced that the European economy will recover soon. Mr. Brown expects that sales from the Israeli plant could fully double or even triple in 1993.

European Demand

To prepare for the expected rise in demand from Europe, Teknion is continuing to beef up its Israel operation. This year a significant investment will be made in a powder coating line for the Israeli factory. Powder coating is the technique used to put a durable paint finish on metal components used in the furniture. This new facility will reduce the plant's dependence on outside suppliers and cut the time required to produce its products, making the plant more responsive to market demands.

In addition, Teknion is aiming to get the Israeli plant certified under the ISO 9002 quality manufacturing standards by the end of the year. Staff from the Canadian plant have been training their Israeli counterparts in the application of the ISO standards, which are documented in a 3-inch thick manual. ISO 9002 certification is expected to become a standard requirement for suppliers to European governments and companies.

Expanded Facility

Mr. Brown's vision of the future includes an expanded facility in Israel serving a growing European market. "Our plant in Israel is located on sufficient land for us to double our space", he points out. He feels the British market has enormous potential. "For one thing," he explains, "the economy is so bad there, it can only get better. For another, the British are the most willing, of all Europeans, to adapt to a North American style of office environment", which includes large, undivided spaces that can be filled with Teknion-style workstations. The Canary Wharf project is a good example. Mr. Brown reckons that making furniture for Canary Wharf alone could keep his factory busy for years.

It seems incredible that a company as well organized as Teknion began operations in Israel without having clear intentions to expand into the European market next door. Yet, to hear it from Monty Brown, Teknion's exports to Israel and subsequent investment there were just the result of being in the right place at the right time.

High Profile

Mr. Brown traces his company's involvement

in Israel back to the day an associate who was in Israel met one of Israel's leading contract furniture sales people. The sales person saw a potential market for Teknion's products in Israel and asked for marketing material to show to some companies there. One of the companies approached was Scitex, one of Israel's fastest growing companies and a manufacturer of computerized graphics equipment for the publishing business. Scitex was looking for a lot of flexibility in its furniture. To get the sale, Teknion had to build and ship to Israel a prototype office suited to Scitex's needs. That effort opened the way for over $2 million in sales to Scitex. It also gave Teknion a high profile on the Israeli market. Teknion has since sold its furniture systems to other successful Israeli companies such as Intel Israel, Israel Aircraft Industries, Iscar and Elbit Electronics. The Israeli market is still going strong. This year, local sales will account for about 30% of the Israeli plant's production.

In its early days, Teknion exported all its products from Canada. Those exports were hit with tariffs of anywhere from 40 to 80 percent, "depending on the customs inspector", as Mr. Brown says. To reduce the tariff burden, Teknion was persuaded to increase the Israeli content of its products, using local manufacturers to assemble and supply parts to its office furniture systems. As production operations expanded in Israel, Teknion began to consider the possibility of using that market as a launching ground for a marketing push into Europe.

Teknion's story sounds like a resounding success for Israel's local content laws. But was it a success for Teknion?

"SALES FROM TEKNION'S ISRAELI PLANT COULD FULLY DOUBLE OR EVEN TRIPLE IN 1993..."

Cost Benefit

Overall, Mr. Brown is satisfied with the investment in Israel. Having factories in both Israel and Canada, Mr. Brown is in a unique position to judge the strengths and weaknesses of both. He finds the location of his Toronto plant hard to beat, with excellent access to suppliers, transportation services, and markets. By contrast the Israeli plant is more remote from both its European market and suppliers. On the other hand, he sees Israel's special trading relationship with Europe and its lower average wage levels as big advantages. He also commends Israel on the quality of its workforce and its high level of computer literacy.

Business Culture

Mr. Brown laments Israelis' lack of a strong quality ethic. This is something that needs to be taught, he believes, in order for Israeli businesses to prosper in Europe. On this issue, Mr. Brown feels, Canadians share a better understanding with Europeans than Israelis do. To insure that no misunderstandings arise, he is keeping all European marketing functions at head office in Toronto for now.

In the long term, Mr. Brown sees a greater role for the Israeli subsidiary in the marketing and design of Teknion products. He notes that a high proportion of the workers in the Israeli plant are immigrants from eastern Europe. These employees will be a definite asset when Teknion expands its marketing efforts in the former Eastern European countries of the former Soviet Bloc. The Israeli subsidiary currently makes small modifications to Teknion designs to suit local customers. This design role could well expand as the European market grows, one day, perhaps, resulting in a whole new line of Teknion products specifically targeted at the European market.

Patience

Asked what advice Mr. Brown can offer other Canadian companies interested in doing business with Israel, he replies, "Be very patient." His experience taught him that one of the realities of doing business in Israel was a different business culture. To adapt to the culture requires developing both an understanding of how things work and an appreciation of cultural differences.

After several years experience of doing business with Israel, Mr. Brown is confident that patience and understanding can overcome all obstacles. To his mind, the only thing now stopping the Israeli plant from doubling its sales — and ringing up great profits for Teknion — is the direction of the European market.

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CANADA-ISRAEL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

These are but a few of our many listings. For additional opportunities, or further information about any of the opportunities on this page, please contact the CICC at: (416) 961-7302

AGRICULTURE

Project: Agricultural Frost Damage Prevention System
Stage: Prototype
Cooperation Required:R&D, Capital, Marketing
Targeted Partners:Partner with wide experience in the development and marketing of agricultural and/or technological products
Company: Technion R&D Foundation
Nature of Business:R&D Technology Transfer, Incubator Companies
Code:N-1001

FOOD

Project: Water Food Products, Coated and Uncoated
Stage:Production
Cooperation Required:Marketing
Targeted Partners:Marketing Firm with the possibility of Future Investment,
Company:Toufince Saar
Nature of Business:Manufacture of Wafer Products
Employees:40
Code:A-1106

AUTOMOTIVE

Project:Tubeless Aluminum Heat Exchanger
Stage:Prototype
Cooperation Required: Capital, Marketing
Required Investment:$250,000
Targeted Partners:Industrial Radiator Manufacturer, Distributor of Automotive Parts
Company:Gat Hitech Center - Kiryat Gat Incubator
Nature of Business:R&D
Employees:3
Code:N-1201

MACHINERY

Project:Resinoid & Vitrified Bonded Abrasive Products, Grinding Equipment,Cooperation Required:Investment, Exchange of Knowhow, Joint Venture,Required Investment, Targeted Partners
Company: Camel Grinding Wheel Works
Annual Turnover:$8,500,000
Nature of Business
Employees:90
Code:B-1303

INSTRUMENTATION

Project:High Precision Flow Meter
Stage:Prototype
Cooperation Required:Capital
Required Investment: $50,000 - $150,000
Targeted Partners:Financial Investor, Industrial Company
Company:M.E. Flow Meters Ltd. - Olakim Incubator
Nature of Business:
Code:N-1401

METALS

Project:Precision Machining for Commercial Aerospace Industries
Stage:Production
Cooperation Required:Marketing
Targeted Partners:Agents & Companies with good connections to the Aircraft, Computer, Electronics and Medical Instrument Industries
Company:Moked Precision Instruments Ltd.
Annual Turnover:$1,500,000
Nature of Business:Precision Machining of Parts for Aerospace, Computers, etc
Employees:48
Code:B-1507

TEXTILES

Project:School Bags, Suitcases, Professional Backpacks, Sportts Bags
Cooperation Required: Marketing, Investment, Exchange of Knowhow, Joint Venture, Subcontracting of Production
Required Investment:$1,000,000
Targeted Partners: Strategic Investor
Company: Modan Industries
Annual Turnover:$5,000,000
Employees:120
Code:C-1808

ARTS

Project:Animated Films - TV series or Features Stage:Story
Cooperation Required:Capital
Required Investment:$2,000,000
Targeted Partners:Strategic Partner or Private Investor
Company:Anima Studios Israel 1990 Ltd.
Nature of Business:Production of all kinds of animated projects, focus on Classic Cartoon animation Employees: 47
Code: D-1901

PLASTICS

Project:Distribution Cabinets for Electricity & Communication; Ballistic Helmets; Fire Protection Shields Cooperation Required:Marketing, Investment, Exchange of Knowhow, Joint Venture, Subcontracting of Production, R&D
Required Investment:$500,000-$3,000,000
Targeted Partners:Companies with Marketing Capacity in Target Niches
Company:Orlite Engineering Co.
Annual Turnover:$15,000,000
Employees:150
Code:D-2205

CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS

Project: Glazed Ceramic Tiles for wall and floor,Cooperation Required:Marketing
Required Investment:
Targeted Partners: Floor Coverings and Building Materials Distributors
Company:Negev Ceramics
Annual Turnover: $20,000,000
Employees:166
Code:D-2401

JEWELLERY

Project:Fine Gold Jewellery and Watches with Diamonds and Precious Stones
Cooperation Required:Marketing, Investment, Joint Venture
Required Investment:$1,000,000
Company:Simon Lindenman
Annual Turnover:$1,390,000
Employees:13
Code:D-250

CHEMICALS

Project:Water Disinfectant Resins, Filters & Systems
Stage:Production
Cooperation Required: Capital, Marketing
Required Investment:$750,000
Targeted Partners:Manufacturers and Distributors of Water Filters, Water Treatment Equipment; Financial Investor
Company:Purotech Ltd.
Nature of Business:Manufacture of water Filtration, Purification and Disinfectant Materials, equipment and systems
Employees:10
Code:E-2611

PHARMACEUTICALS

Project:Kosher Hard Gelatin Capsules
Stage:Production
Cooperation Required:Capital Investment, Marketing
Required Investment: $3,000,000 - $4,000,000
Company:Caps Pharma Enterprise (1987) Ltd.
Code:E-2702

ENERGY

Project:Refuelable Battery for Electric Vehicle
Stage:Prototype
Cooperation Required:Capital, Required Investment:$6,000,000
Targeted Partners: Financial Investor, Industrial Battery Manufacturer
Company:Luz Electric Fuel Ltd.
Annual Turnover:$2,500,000
Nature of Business:Development of an Advanced Battery System for Electric Vehicles
Employees:20
Code:E-2905

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

Project:Liposome Technology-Based Immuno Assay for Diagnostic Purposes
Cooperation Required: Marketing, Investment
Company:Savyon Diagnostics
Annual Turnover: $3,000,000
Employees:50
Code:E-3013

York-Wharton-Recanati Triad Launched

by Elise Herzig-Cuperfain

One of the most exciting projects that the Chamber has undertaken this past year has been its involvement in creating a partnership between York University's Faculty of Administrative Studies, MBA program and the existing Wharton-Recanati exchange.

Wharton-Recanati is a binational partnership between the Wharton School and Tel Aviv University's Leon Racanatis Graduate School of Business. The two universities complete six studies per year for Israeli businesses which wish to penetrate the US market. The Wharton-Recanati Partnership has a superb reputation for its work in encouraging international trade, as well as providing students with a "hands on" international experience. Since its inception, the program has worked with over 70 Israeli companies in such varied fields as textiles, laminates, electronics, communications and snacks. A conservative estimate of the increased Israeli exports resulting from the program is $100 million. Over 500 Israeli and American students have learned to apply practical management skills through the program.

By forming an alliance with York University's MBA program, the Chamber creates a "triad" relationship which will assist Israeli businesses penetrate into the Canadian market. York University has a strong program in International Business and is the only university in Canada that offers the International Masters of Business Administration degree. The proposed partnership would provide York students with an excellent opportunity to work with international students and business executives. This interaction will help train top calibre managers who will increase Canada's ability to compete in a global economy.

A further advantage for Israeli companies is that York students will be available to help implement the strategies that are suggested. Unlike the current Wharton-Recanati Partnership which ends after one semester, York students are required to work for two semesters to fulfil the "Management 601" requirement. This extra semester will improve the chances for successful implementation of the suggested strategy.

The program commences in January 1993. If you are interested in obtaining further information or would like to contribute to the funding of this project, please contact the Chamber.

Elise Herzig-Cuperfain, Director of Special Projects at Canuck Enterprises, is Vice-President of the CICC

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THE TEL AVIV REPORT

by Louise Leger

I am pleased to report that, even though it is now the middle of the summer, the number of business visitors from Canada has continued to increase. One of the reasons for this healthy flow of traffic is the enormous amount of momentum generated during the joint economic committee (JEC) meeting that were held this past April in Ottawa.

The two technology cooperation forum meetings in Toronto and Montreal that preceded the JEC have also contributed to increased interest in doing business in Israel. In a short period of five working days, well over two hundred one-on-one meetingswere held between Canadian companies and their Israeli counterparts. The presence of the then deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Industry and Trade, Mr. Moshe Nissim, helped to generate greater interest and exposure of the possibilities of bilateral trade between Israel and Canada.

Concrete results from the forum and JEC are starting to emerge. I'll save the success stories for a subsequent article but, suffice to say, at this stage the work plan agreed to at the end of the JEC is being implemented. Senior officials on both sides meet regularly in Ottawa and Jerusalem in order to ensure that the momentum is not lost.

Israel has a new government, and Canadian business persons are interested in its new policies. The labour-led coalition of Prime Minister Rabin has stated that trade liberalization, as well as privatization of government-owned corporations, and relaxation of foreign currency control policies would be maintained. The appointment of Micha Harish as Industry and Trade Minister has apparently been welcomed by the business community as he is reputed to be pro-business. His first public statements have tended to confirm this.

Minister Harish is now in the process of putting together his team. Last week he appointed Mr. Natan Sharoni as Director General. The current Director General, Mr. Zvi Koren, will stay until early September thus permitting a smooth turn-over.

Ambassador Spector and I will be calling on the new ministers and other senior government officials to inform them of our objectives and priorities on the one hand, and obtain their views on how to increase trade between out two countries.

As in the past, input from the Chamber and its members on business activities being carried on with Israel is always appreciated. External affairs and International Trade Canada and our embassy in Tel Aviv will continue to support your bilateral trade efforts

-Louise Leger is First Secretary (Commercial)at the Canadian Embassy in Tel Aviv

Canadian Lumber Catches Fire

by Ilan Salamon

Canada has joined the Israeli construction boom, and lumber exports have shifted Canada's trade balance with Israel from deficit to surplus.

Softwood lumber, which was not even among the top 10 export products in 1989 or 1990, dominated Canada's exports to Israel in 1991, with softwood lumber exports of $22 million making up nearly 17 percent of the total value of Canadian exports to Israel.

Loading softwood lumber at a Québec Port

The lumber sales are the main factor behind a shift in Canada's trade balance with Israel from a $30 million deficit in 1989 to a $6 million surplus in 1991. In the same period total Canadian exports to Israel grew by 12 percent.

A large wave of 400,00 Soviet immigrants in the past two years increased Israel's construction materials requirements, including lumber imports.

The bulk of the imported lumber is supplied by Scandanavia and East Europe, but despite the addtional distance involved, Canada has been able to supply a portion of Israel's needs.

Softwood accounts for 98% of the total Canadian lumber production, 2/3 coming from British Columbia, 13% from Ontario and 11% from Quebec.

Most of the Canadian lumber going to Israel comes from Quebec, with the remainder coming from Ontario. Quebec lumber exports to Israel reached 150,000 cubic metres in 1991, up from 20,000 to 25,000 cubic metres two years ago.

The strength of Quebec lumber sales to Israel is a result of several factors: the Quebec market's experience with Middle East exports; lower shipping costs from Quebec port facilities compared with B.C. lumber; promotional trade programs; and the role of indepenent agents operating in Quebec. In addition, the Quebec government has strongly supported the province's lumber industry. For example, in April of 1992, Quebec International Affairs Minister John Ciacca visited Israel on a trade mission.

Quebec's lumber sales to Israel are dominated by a small number of companies and agents. One company alone, Meir Pines and Sons Ltd., accounts for half the export volume.

A trade agreement likely to be signed soon between Israel and the European Free Trade Area (EFTA) could strike a heavy blow to Israel's imports from Canada — particularly in the area of wood and wood products. More than half of Israel's imports from Canada are raw materials, many of which are the same as raw materials imported from EFTA nations.

- Ilan Salomon is an economic advisor at the Ontario Ministry of Energy

Canada-Israel Trade Statistics

(Canadian $ millions)	1990	1991
CANADIAN EXPORTS TO ISRAEL	129M	133M
ISRAELI EXPORTS TO CANADA	125M	127M

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The New Canada-Israel Business Connection

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A flip through the pages of our publication shows that Canadian trade and investment are on the rise, money is being made, jobs are being create - and new opportunities abound. Canada-Israel bilateral trade volumes have doubled over the past 15 years and now exceed a quarter of a billion dollars annually. Canadian investment in Israel has been strong, profitable and varied - from food to furniture, from shopping malls to pharmaceuticals.

You do not have to be a major investor. The Canada-Israel business connection can be forged by small links too:

- seek out Israeli products, from Carmel wines to Osem crackers, from Gottex bathing suits to Israel Aircraft Industry executive jets.
- travel to Israel for a vacation or a sabbatical.
- explore Israeli business opportunities. On your next trip to Israel, be a "creative tourist" and seek out Israeli colleagues in your industry or profession.
- educate yourself about the Israeli economy. A good place to start is with the CICC.

Business involvement with Israel encourages individuals to combine their own drive for success with the desire to see Israel succeed. Through investment in Israel and trade with Israel, Canadian Jews can be part of a relationship of equals, in which the focus is on seeking out Israeli strengths. Israel's economy is the foundation of Israel's independence, and the Canada-Israel business connection creates a new type of relationship with Israel which helps strengthen that foundation.

Benjamin Rubin, a Toronto lawyer, is Vice President of the CICC and edits Communique, the Chamber's publication

CHAMBER UPDATE

THIS YEAR HAS SEEN THE Chamber host a top level Israeli trade delegation whose mission members included Israel Aircraft Industries, Mata Food and Citco Ltd. Our office was instrumental in connecting a number of the firms with Canadian companies. One of the highlights of the visit was a CICC luncheon at which the keynote speakers were Canada's Minister of International Trade, Michael Wilson and Israel's then-Minister of Industry and Trade, Moshe Nissim.

In conjunction with the mission, the Chamber presented a proposal to the Canada-Israel Joint Economic Commission (JEC) which met in Ottawa. The CICC brief recommended the establishment of a Canada-Israel Binational Industrial R&D Foundation to support joint ventures in industrial R&D between Canadian and Israeli firms. The proposal is now being considered.

by Danny Fleishman

For December, the Chamber expects to organize a seminar on "Doing Business in Israel". Scheduled speakers include Elmer Winter, President, Committee for the Economic Growth of Israel and several Canadian businessmen who will be speaking about their business investments in Israel.

We will continue our lecture series and feature a program on "Exporting to Israel-Opportunities for Canadians."

If you wish further information about the seminar, our lecture program, or wish to take advantage of the Chamber's resources, please feel free to contact our office.

Danny Fleishman is the Executive Director of the CICC

Join the CICC

The CICC is an independent, membership-based organization. Our objectives are:

- to establish contact between business people in Israel and Canada;
- to encourage investments in new and existing Israeli industry;
- to promote the exchange of services and ideas for mutual profit;
- to acquire, preserve and desseminate business information about Canada and Israel for the mutal benefit of business people in both countries.

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Company Member	**$300**
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MEMBERS BENEFITS

1. Contacts:
Membership in the Chamber is an invaluable way of establishing and maintaining business links with others interested in Canada-Israel trade.

2. Lectures:
The Chamber holds investment seminars and lectures on a wide variety of topics.

3. Internationalism:
Our links with the Israel- Canada Chamber in Tel Aviv and the Binational Chambers in the United States provide our members with an international network of contacts.

4. Communique:
Our quarterly publication is considered the prime source of information about the Canada-Israel business connection.